# 1 System $F(\lambda 2)$

# 1.1 Syntax

$$\kappa := \star \qquad \text{kinds}$$

$$\tau := X \mid \tau \to \tau \mid \forall X.\tau \qquad \text{types}$$

$$e := x \mid \lambda x : \tau . e \mid e_1 e_2 \mid A_{\downarrow}X : \kappa . e \mid e@\tau \qquad \text{terms}$$

$$\lambda$$

$$\Gamma := \emptyset \mid \Gamma, x : \tau \mid \Gamma, X : \kappa \qquad \text{contexts}$$

# 1.2 Typing Rules

$$\begin{array}{lll}
\textbf{STLC} & \frac{x:\tau\in\Gamma}{\Gamma\vdash x:\tau} \; [Var] & \frac{\Gamma\vdash e_1:\tau_1\to\tau_2 \quad \Gamma\vdash e_2:\tau_1}{\Gamma\vdash e_1e_2:\tau_2} \; [App] & \frac{\Gamma,x:\tau_1\vdash e:\tau_2}{\Gamma\vdash \lambda x.e:\tau_1\to\tau_2} \; [Abs] \\
& \frac{FV(\tau)\subseteq\mathfrak{Dom}(\Gamma)}{\tau \; \text{is well-formed}} & \frac{\Gamma\vdash e:\forall X:\star.\sigma \quad \Gamma\vdash\tau:\star}{\Gamma\vdash e@\tau:\sigma[X/\tau]} \; [TApp] & \frac{\Gamma,X:\star\vdash e:\tau}{\Gamma\vdash \Lambda X.e:\forall X.\tau} \; [TAbs]
\end{array}$$

# 1.3 Examples

$$3 \equiv \Lambda \alpha.\lambda x^{\alpha}.\lambda f^{\alpha \to \alpha}.f(f(f(x))) \ : \ \forall \alpha.\alpha \to (\alpha \to \alpha) \to \alpha \qquad id \equiv \Lambda \alpha.\lambda x^{\alpha}.x \ : \ \forall \alpha.\alpha \to \alpha$$
 
$$id(\forall \alpha.\alpha \to \alpha) \ : \ (\forall \alpha.\alpha \to \alpha) \to (\forall \alpha.\alpha \to \alpha)$$

# 1.4 $\beta$ -reduction

Basis (beta):

- $(\lambda x : \alpha.M)N \rightarrow_{\beta} M[x/N]$
- $(\Lambda \alpha : \star .M)@\sigma \rightarrow_{\beta} M[\alpha/\sigma]$

### Compatibility:

If  $M \rightarrow_{\beta} N$  then Application

- $ML \rightarrow_{\beta} NL$
- $LM \rightarrow_{\beta} LN$
- $M@\sigma \rightarrow_{\beta} N@\sigma$

Abstraction (if strong):

- $\lambda x : \alpha.M \to_{\beta} \lambda x : \alpha.N$
- $\Lambda \alpha : \star .M \rightarrow_{\beta} \Lambda \alpha : \star .N$

# 1.5 Example: Polymorphic Lists

Suppose we have *List* type constructor (can't be expressed in  $\lambda 2$  but may be encoded)

nil:  $\forall X. \ List \ X$  cons:  $\forall X. \ X \rightarrow List \ X \rightarrow List \ X$  isnil:  $\forall X. \ List \ X \rightarrow Bool$  head:  $\forall X. \ List \ X \rightarrow X$  tail:  $\forall X. \ List \ X \rightarrow List \ X$ 

Example: polymorphic map

# 1.6 Exercises:

- 1. Prove that *map* really has the type shown (by constructing type derivation)
- 2. Write a polymorphic list-reversing function: reverse :  $\forall X. \ List \ X \rightarrow List \ X$
- 3. Write a simple polymorphic sorting function: sort :  $\forall X. (X \rightarrow X \rightarrow Bool) \rightarrow (List X) \rightarrow List X$

# 1.7 Expressive Power: $\lambda 2 \sim$ Primitive Recursion

#### **Primitive Recursion:**

Smallest class of functions over  $\mathbb{N}$  containing:

- constant function 0
- successor
- projection

closed under (final number of) composition and primitive recursion corresponds to for-loops

#### **Church numerals:**

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 \begin{split} & \Lambda\alpha: \star.\lambda f: \alpha \to \alpha.\lambda x: \alpha.f^n x: \quad C \equiv \forall \alpha: \star.(\alpha \to \alpha) \to \alpha \to \alpha \\ & \textbf{Pairs}: \\ & \langle M,N \rangle \equiv \lambda z: C \to C \to C. \ z \ M \ N: \ pair \equiv (C \to C \to C) \to C \\ & fst \equiv \lambda p: pair.(\lambda x: C.\lambda y: C.x) \\ & snd \equiv \lambda p: pair.(\lambda x: C.\lambda y: C.y) \end{split}
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 fst\langle M, N \rangle = (\lambda p : pair. \ p \ (\lambda x : C. \ \lambda y : C. \ x)) \ \langle M, N \rangle \\ = (\lambda z : C \rightarrow C \rightarrow C. \ z \ M \ N) (\lambda x : C. \ \lambda y : C. \ x) \\ = (\lambda z : C. \ \lambda y : C. \ x) =_{\beta} (\lambda x : C. \ \lambda y : C. \ x) \ M \ N =_{\beta} M   snd\langle M, N \rangle = (\lambda p : pair. \ p \ (\lambda x : C. \ \lambda y : C. \ y)) \ \langle M, N \rangle \\ = (\lambda z : C. \ \lambda y : C. \ x) \ M \ N =_{\beta} N   = (\lambda x : C. \ \lambda y : C. \ y) \ M \ N =_{\beta} N
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#### **Example: Factorial by Primitive Recursion**

#### **Recursive Definiton:**

$$fact(n) = if(n = 0) then 1 else n * fact(n - 1)$$

#### **Primitive Recursive Definiton**

$$fact(0) = 1$$
  
 $fact(n+1) = mult(n+1, fact(n))$ 

### **Simulating Primitive Recursion via Pairs:**

$$next\langle n, fact(n) \rangle \equiv \langle n+1, fact(n+1) \rangle$$
  
 $fact c_0 \equiv c_1$   
 $fact (succ c_n) \equiv snd(next c_n (fact c_n))$ 

#### How to define next?

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next := \lambda p : pair.\langle succ(fst p), mult (succ(fst p)) (snd p) \rangle : pair \rightarrow pair
\langle 0, fact 0 \rangle =_{\beta} \langle 0, 1 \rangle \qquad \equiv next^{0} \langle 0, 1 \rangle
\langle 1, fact 1 \rangle =_{\beta} next \langle 0, 1 \rangle \qquad \equiv next^{1} \langle 0, 1 \rangle
\langle 2, fact 2 \rangle =_{\beta} next \langle 1, fact 1 \rangle =_{\beta} next (next \langle 0, 1 \rangle) \qquad \equiv next^{2} \langle 0, 1 \rangle
\dots
\langle n, fact n \rangle =_{\beta} next^{n} \langle 0, 1 \rangle \qquad \equiv next^{n} \langle 0, 1 \rangle
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Now we have function *next*:

$$next := \lambda p : pair.\langle succ(fst\ p),\ mult\ (succ(fst\ p))\ (snd\ p)\rangle : pair \to pair$$
  
s.t.  $next^n\langle 0,1\rangle =_\beta \langle n,\ fact(n)\rangle$ 

Remember Church numerals?

Q: How to define *fact*?

$$\lambda \alpha.\lambda f: \alpha \to \alpha.\lambda x: \alpha. f^n x: \forall \alpha. (\alpha \to \alpha) \to \alpha \to \alpha$$

$$fact \equiv \lambda n: C. snd (n pair next \langle 0, 1 \rangle)$$

#### **Primitive Recursion**

- f(0) = a
- f(n+1) = h(n, f(n))

$$next \equiv \lambda p : pair.\langle succ (fst p), h (fst p) (snd p) \rangle$$

$$f \equiv \lambda n : C. snd (n pair next \langle 0, a \rangle)$$

#### Why can't we do it in STLC?

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
\lambda_{\rightarrow} \\
c_n & : (\alpha \to \alpha) \to \alpha \to \alpha \\
f & \equiv n \ next \ \langle 0, a \rangle
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
\lambda 2 \\
c_n & : \forall \alpha : \star . (\alpha \to \alpha) \to \alpha \to \alpha \\
f & \equiv n \ pair \ next \ \langle 0, a \rangle
\end{array}$$

 $next: pair \rightarrow pair; hence, \alpha \equiv pair$ 

$$pair = (C \to C \to C) \to C \text{ and } C \equiv (\alpha \to \alpha) \to \alpha \to \alpha \text{ Thus } \alpha \equiv \underbrace{(((\alpha \to \alpha) \to \alpha \to \alpha) \to ((\alpha \to \alpha) \to \alpha \to \alpha) \to ((\alpha \to \alpha) \to \alpha \to \alpha))}_{C} \to \underbrace{((\alpha \to \alpha) \to \alpha \to \alpha) \to ((\alpha \to \alpha) \to \alpha \to \alpha))}_{pair}???$$

Qed.

# 2 $\lambda \omega$ : type constructors

# 2.1 Syntax

$$t ::= x \mid \lambda x : \tau.t \mid t t \qquad \text{terms} \qquad \kappa ::= \star \mid \star \Rightarrow \star \qquad \text{kinds}$$
  
$$\tau ::= X \mid \lambda x :: \kappa.\tau \mid \tau \tau \mid \tau \to \tau \qquad \text{types} \qquad \Gamma ::= \emptyset \mid \Gamma, \ x : \tau \mid \Gamma, \ X :: \kappa \qquad \text{contexts}$$

#### 2.2 Kinding

### 2.3 Typing

# 2.4 Type Equivalence $\equiv$

$$\frac{\tau\equiv\tau}{\lambda X::\kappa_1.\tau_1\equiv\lambda X::\kappa_2.\tau_2} \begin{array}{c} \text{Q-Symm} & \frac{\tau_1\equiv\tau_2}{\tau_1\equiv\tau_2} \begin{array}{c} \tau_2\equiv\tau_3\\ \hline \tau_1\equiv\tau_3 \end{array} \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \text{Q-Trans} & \frac{\tau_1\equiv\sigma_1}{\tau_1\to\tau_2\equiv\sigma_1\to\sigma_2} \begin{array}{c} \text{Q-Arrow} \\ \hline \lambda X::\kappa_1.\tau_1\equiv\lambda X::\kappa_2.\tau_2 \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \text{Q-Abs} & \frac{\tau_1\equiv\sigma_1}{\tau_1\tau_2\equiv\sigma_1\sigma_2} \begin{array}{c} \tau_2\equiv\sigma_2\\ \hline \tau_1\tau_2\equiv\sigma_1\sigma_2 \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \text{Q-App} & \frac{\lambda X::\kappa_1.\tau_1}{\tau_2\equiv\tau_1[X/\tau_2]} \begin{array}{c} \text{Q-AppAbs} \end{array}$$

# 2.5 Alternative syntax and rules

#### **Alternative Syntax**

$$t ::= x \mid \lambda x : \tau. t \mid t t \qquad \text{terms} \qquad \kappa ::= \star \mid \star \Rightarrow \star \qquad \text{kinds}$$

$$\tau ::= x \mid \lambda x : \kappa. \tau \mid \tau \tau \mid \tau \to \tau \qquad \text{types} \qquad \Gamma ::= \emptyset \mid \Gamma, x : \tau \mid \Gamma, X :: \kappa \qquad \text{contexts}$$

$$s ::= \star \mid \Box \qquad \text{sorts} \qquad \Gamma, x : s$$

#### **Example:**

$$\underbrace{\lambda x : \alpha . x}_{\text{term}} : \underbrace{\alpha \to \alpha}_{\text{type/constructor}} : \underbrace{\star}_{\text{kind}} : \underbrace{\Box}_{\text{sort}}$$

$$\underbrace{\lambda \alpha : \star . \alpha \to \alpha}_{\text{proper constructor}} : \underbrace{\star \to \star}_{\text{kind}} : \underbrace{\Box}_{\text{sort}}$$

# 2.6 Alternative Typing and Kinding Rules

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash A : s \quad x \notin \Gamma}{\Gamma, x : A \vdash x : A} \text{ Var} \quad \text{instead of two rules} \quad \frac{\Gamma \vdash A : \star \quad x \notin \Gamma}{\Gamma, x : A \vdash x : A} \left[ Var^{\star} \right] \quad \frac{\Gamma \vdash A : \Box \quad x \notin \Gamma}{\Gamma, x : A \vdash x : A} \left[ Var^{\Box} \right]$$

$$\frac{\Gamma, x : A \vdash M : B \quad \Gamma \vdash A \to B : s}{\Gamma \vdash \lambda x : A.M : A \to B}$$
 Abs instead of two rules

$$\frac{\Gamma, x: A \vdash M: B \quad \Gamma \vdash A \to B: \star}{\Gamma \vdash \lambda x: A.M: A \to B} \quad Abs^{\star}$$
 
$$\frac{\Gamma, x: A \vdash M: B \quad \Gamma \vdash A \to B: \square}{\Gamma \vdash \lambda x: A.M: A \to B} \quad Abs^{\square}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash F : A \to B \quad \Gamma \vdash a : A}{\Gamma \vdash Fa : B} \text{ App}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash A : s \quad \Gamma \vdash B : s}{\Gamma \vdash A \to B : s} \text{ Form instead of two rules}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash A : \star \quad \Gamma \vdash B : \star}{\Gamma \vdash A \to B : \star} \quad \text{Form}^{\star}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash A : \Box \quad \Gamma \vdash B : \Box}{\Gamma \vdash A \to B : \Box} \quad \text{Form}^{\Box}$$

$$\text{ex:} \quad \frac{\Gamma \vdash \alpha : \star \quad \Gamma \vdash \beta \to \gamma : \star}{\Gamma \vdash \alpha \to (\beta \to \gamma) : \star} \quad \text{Form}^{\Box}$$

$$\text{ex:} \quad \frac{\Gamma \vdash \alpha : \star \quad \Gamma \vdash \beta \to \gamma : \star}{\Gamma \vdash \star \to \star : \Box} \quad \text{Form}^{\Box}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash A : B \quad \Gamma \vdash B' : s \quad B =_{\beta} B'}{\Gamma \vdash A : B'} \ [Conv]$$

$$\frac{}{\vdash \star : \Box}$$
 Sort (Ax)

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash a : A \quad \Gamma \vdash B : s \quad x \notin \Gamma}{\Gamma, x : B \vdash a : A} \text{ Weak}$$

# [Weak] motivation:

$$\frac{\frac{}{\alpha:\star\vdash\alpha:\square} Ax}{\alpha:\star\vdash\alpha:\alpha} Var \\ \frac{\alpha:\star\vdash\alpha:\alpha}{\alpha:\star,x:\alpha\vdash x:\alpha} Var$$

$$\frac{\overline{\alpha:\star,y:\alpha\vdash\star:\square}}{\alpha:\star,y:\alpha\vdash\alpha:\alpha} \begin{matrix} \mathsf{Var} \\ Var \end{matrix}$$
 
$$\alpha:\star,x:\alpha\vdash x:\alpha,y:\alpha \quad \forall x$$

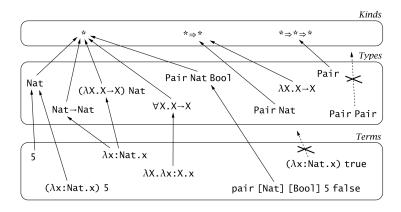
# 2.7 Expressive power, System F omega

 $\lambda\omega$  and  $\lambda$  have THE SAME computational power!

$$\lambda \omega$$
 (**System**  $F_{\omega}$ ) ::=  $\lambda \underline{\omega} + \lambda 2$ 

$$\begin{array}{lll} F_1 & \mathcal{K}_1 &=\emptyset \text{ or } \{\star\} & \lambda_{\rightarrow} \\ F_2 & \mathcal{K}_2 &= \{\star\} & \text{System } F \\ F_{i+1} & \mathcal{K}_{i+1} &= \{\star\} \cup \{\kappa \Rightarrow \iota \mid \kappa \in \mathcal{K}_i \text{ and } \iota \in \mathcal{K}_{i+1}\} \\ F_{\omega} & \mathcal{K}_{\omega} &= \bigcup_{1 \leq i} \mathcal{K}_i & F_{\omega} \end{array}$$

# **Example (from Pierce)**



# 3 Assignments:

- 1. see section 1.6
- 2. Write a function that computes the sum of a list of natural numbers in System  $F\omega$  and provide type derivation for it
- 3. Implement System F: evaluation + typechecking + Church numerals (with functions inc, add, mult, dec, minus)