The Simply Typed λ-Calculus

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Name : Set
Name = String

data Expr : Set where
  var : Name → Expr
  lam : Name → Expr → Expr
  _•_ : Expr → Expr → Expr
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Definition

$$\frac{M : \sigma \longrightarrow \tau \qquad N : \sigma}{M\,N : \tau}$$

$$\frac{\dfrac{\dfrac{[x : \sigma]^1}{\vdots}}{M : \tau}}{\lambda x.M : \sigma \to \tau}$$

Problem	**Question**
Type-checking	Given M and τ, $\Gamma \vdash M : \tau$?
Typability	Given M does exists a σ, $\Gamma \vdash M : \sigma$?
Inhabitation	Given τ, does exists an M such that $\Gamma \vdash M : \sigma$?

Theorem

- *It is decidable whether a term is typable in* $\lambda \rightarrow$.
- *If a term* M *is typable in* $\lambda \rightarrow$, *then* M *has a principal type scheme, i.e. a type* σ *such that every possible type for* M *is a subsitution instance of* σ. *Moreover* σ *is computable from* M.

Theorem

Type checking for $\lambda \rightarrow$ *is decidable.*

Syntax Based on (Érdi, 2013), and (Danielsson, n.d.)

```
module Typing (U : Set) where

data Type : Set where
  base : U    → Type
  _→_  : Type → Type → Type
```

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module Syntax (Type : Set) where

open import Data.String

Name : Set
Name = String

-- Type Judgments (x : A).
data Formal : Set where
  _:_ : Name → Type → Formal

data Expr : Set where
  var : Name   → Expr
  lam : Formal → Expr → Expr
  _•_ : Expr   → Expr → Expr
```

module Examples (Type : Set) where

```
open import Syntax Type

postulate A : Type

x = var "x"
y = var "y"
z = var "z"

-- I, K, S : Expr

I = lam ("x" : A) x                        -- λx.x, x ∈ A
K = lam ("x" : A) (lam ("y" : A) x)        -- λxy.x, x,y ∈ A
S =
  lam ("x" : A)
    (lam ("y" : A)
      (lam ("z" : A)
        ((x • z) • (y • z))))              -- λxyz.xz(yz), x,y,z ∈ A
```

module Bound (Type : Set) where

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data Expr (n : ℕ) : Set where
  var : Fin n  → Expr n
  lam : Type   → Expr (suc n) → Expr n
  _•_ : Expr n → Expr n       → Expr n

Binder : ℕ → Set
Binder = Vec Name

data _⊢_⇛_ : ∀ {n} → Binder n → S.Expr → Expr n → Set where
  var-zero : ∀ {n x} {Γ : Binder n}
           → Γ , x ⊢ var x ⇛ var (# 0)

  var-suc  : ∀ {n x y k} {Γ : Binder n} {p : False (x ≟ y)}
           → Γ ⊢ var x ⇛ var k
           → Γ , y ⊢ var x ⇛ var (suc k)

  lam      : ∀ {n x τ t t′} {Γ : Binder n}
           → Γ , x ⊢ t ⇛ t′
           → Γ ⊢ lam (x : τ) t ⇛ lam τ t′

  _•_      : ∀ {n t₁ t₁′ t₂ t₂′} {Γ : Binder n}
           → Γ ⊢ t₁ ⇛ t₁′
           → Γ ⊢ t₂ ⇛ t₂′
           → Γ ⊢ t₁ • t₂ ⇛ t₁′ • t₂′
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∅ : Binder 0
∅ = []

Γ : Binder 2
Γ = "x" :: "y" :: []

e1 : "x" :: "y" :: [] ⊢ var "x" ⇛ var (# 0)
e1 = var-zero

I : [] ⊢ lam ("x" : A) (var "x")
       ⇛ lam A (var (# 0))
I = lam var-zero

K : [] ⊢ lam ("x" : A) (lam ("y" : A) (var "x"))
       ⇛ lam A (lam A (var (# 1)))
K = lam (lam (var-suc var-zero))

K₂ : [] ⊢ lam ("x" : A) (lam ("y" : A) (var "y"))
        ⇛ lam A (lam A (var (# 0)))
K₂ = lam (lam var-zero)

P : Γ ⊢ lam ("x" : A) (lam ("y" : A) (lam ("z" : A) (var "x")))
      ⇛ lam A (lam A (lam A (var (# 2))))
P = {!!}
```

module Typing (U : Set) where

```
open import Bound Type hiding (_,_)

Ctxt : ℕ → Set
Ctxt = Vec Type

_,_ : ∀ {n} → Ctxt n → Type → Ctxt (suc n)
Γ , x = x ∷ Γ

data _⊢_:_ : ∀ {n} → Ctxt n → Expr n → Type → Set where
  tVar : ∀ {n Γ} {x : Fin n}
       → Γ ⊢ var x : lookup x Γ

  tLam : ∀ {n} {Γ : Ctxt n} {t} {τ τ′}
       → Γ , τ ⊢ t : τ′
       → Γ ⊢ lam τ t : τ → τ′

  _•_  : ∀ {n} {Γ : Ctxt n} {t₁ t₂} {τ τ′}
       → Γ ⊢ t₁ : τ → τ′
       → Γ ⊢ t₂ : τ
       → Γ ⊢ t₁ • t₂ : τ′
```