

Section 5: Scope and Introduction to Type

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- **Announcement**

- PA4 is out (due 10/28 at 11:59pm)
- WA5 out Wed 10/14

- **Outline**

1. Scope.
 2. Type.
 3. Cool Type Inference.
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1 Scope

1. What does a call to `f()` return in Cool?

```
x : Int <- 1;

addx(y : Int) : Int {
  x + y
};

f() : Int {
  let x <- 2 in addx(2)
};
```

Answer:

2. What would it return if Cool were dynamically scoped?

Answer:

2 Type

A **type** is a collection of values that have some common operations (e.g., integers and addition). We want to make sure that the run-time values used by a program correspond to the compile-time types assigned to the program's variables. This process is called **type checking**.

1. Explain in english what are the meaning of these inference rules:

$$\overline{\vdash 3 : \text{Int}}$$

Answer:

$$\frac{\vdash e1 : \text{Int}, \vdash e2 : \text{Int}}{\vdash e1 + e2 : \text{Int}}$$

Answer:

2. Consider the following toy language, and give a complete set of inference rules for booleans:

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|--|---|
| <code>e ::= true false</code> | <code>boolean constructs</code> |
| <code> n</code> | <code>all integers n</code> |
| <code> x</code> | <code>all variables (x, y, z, ...)</code> |
| <code> not e</code> | |
| <code> e1 = e2</code> | |
| <code> e1 < e2</code> | |
| <code> let x : T <- e1 in e2;</code> | |
| <code>T ::= Int Bool;</code> | |

How to handle the types of variables? Write inference rules for the `let` expression.

Answer:

3 Cool Type Inference

1. How does the code below fail to pass type checking? Introduce changes to the code to fix this problem.

```
class A {  
  instance(): A {new A};  
}  
  
class B inherits A {  
  ...  
}  
...(somewhere else in the code)  
b:B <- (new B).instance();
```

Answer:

2. True/False SELF_TYPE is a dynamic type. **Answer:**
3. Select which of the following are needed as context for type inference in Cool?
 - (a) A collection of known method signatures (mapping components of method signature to types)
 - (b) The variable type environment you are in (mapping variable identifiers to types)
 - (c) The body of which class you are in
 - (d) A mapping of scope to all identifiers (for both methods and objects)

Answer:

4. Why is the following rule unsound? What's one easy fix?

$$\frac{O, M, C \vdash e1 : Bool, O, M, C \vdash e2 : T2, O, M, C \vdash e3 : T3, T2 \geq T3}{O, M, C \vdash \text{if } e1 \text{ then } e2 \text{ else } e3 : T3}$$

Answer:

5. Perform type inference on the let statement (near the end of the code).

```
class BinaryOp {
  do(a:Int, b:Int) : Int { {
    abort(); 0;
  }};
};

class Mult inherits BinaryOp {
  do(a:Int, b:Int): Int {
    a*b
  };
};

class Add inherits BinaryOp {
  do(a:Int, b:Int): Int {
    a+b
  };
};

....
bar(doMult: Bool): Int {
  let z:BinaryOp <- if doMult then new Mult else new Add in z.do(5*3,2)
};
```

Answer: