Type theory behind GHC internals

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https://github.com/bravit/tt-ghc-exercises

Review of GHC and its development process

The Glasgow Haskell Compiler

- Haskell compiler
- Website: www.haskell.org/ghc/
- GHC Steering Committee and GHC proposals: github.com/ghc-proposals/ghc-proposals
- The Glasgow Haskell Team (committers & contributors):
 ghc.haskell.org/trac/ghc/wiki/TeamGHC
- Developed since 1990s

Key GHC developers



Simon Peyton Jones



Simon Marlow

The Glasgow Haskell Compiler, Marlow and Peyton Jones, 2012:

While the ultimate goal for us, the main developers of GHC, is to produce research rather than code, we consider developing GHC to be an essential prerequisite: the artifacts of research are fed back into GHC, so that GHC can then be used as the basis for further research that builds on these previous ideas.

Developers Wiki (Trac)



ghc.haskell.org/trac/ghc/

What you can find in the Developers Wiki

- Newcomers info
- Building
- How to work on GHC
- Implementation details: The GHC Commentary
- Advice on debugging, testing, and profiling
- Issues (bugs, feature-requests, tasks)

Other GHC developer online resources

- The GHC Reading List
- A Haskell Implementation Reading List (Stephen Diehl)
- Source code:
 - git.haskell.org/ghc.git
 - github.com/ghc/ghc (mirror)
- Phabricator, phabricator.haskell.org:
 - Sending patches, reviewing
 - Remote building and validating (Harbormaster)

Source code directories

bootstrapping libffi compiler libffi-tarballs distrib libraries docs mk driver nofib ahc rts hadrian rules includes testsuite utils inplace iserv

• ghc-prim

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- array, binary, bytestring, Cabal, containers, deepseg, directory, dph, filepath, ghc-boot, ghc-boot-th, ghc-compact, ghci, haskeline, hpc, mtl, parallel, parsec, pretty, primitive, process, random, stm, template-haskell, terminfo, text, time, transformers, unix, vector, Win32, xhtml

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The most of these components are implemented in C.

How to build GHC from sources

bravit@:ghc\$ inplace/bin/ghc-stage2 -V
The Glorious Glasgow Haskell
Compilation System,
version 8.5.20180603

https://ghc.haskell.org/trac/ghc/wiki/Newcomers#Firststeps

Building steps

- 1. Prepare workstation (ghc, perl, gcc, make, happy, alex, autoconf, automake, python3, python-sphinx, libedit, ncurses, ...)
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The rule of GHC directory tree reading:

if you see unknown file type, then it comes
from build system (99%-quaranteed)

Alternative build system Hadrian

- Andrey Mokhov (Newcastle University, UK)
- github.com/snowleopard/hadrian
- Video: skillsmatter.com/skillscasts/8722meet-hadrian-a-new-build-system-for-ghc
- Implemented in Haskell, uses Shake (Neil Mitchell, shakebuild.com/)

Newcomers info

- First steps
- How to rebuild modified code quickly
- How to find an issue ("low-hanging fruits")
- Advice and links

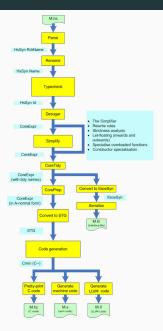
Don't get scared. GHC is a big codebase, but it makes sense when you stare at it long enough!

Haskell module compilation pipeline

GHC compiler (compiler)

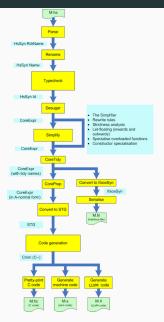
- Compilation manager
- The Haskell Compiler, Hsc
- Driver (composing Hsc with C preprocessor, assembler, linker, etc)

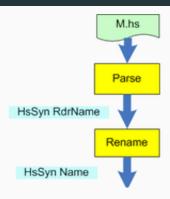
The Haskell Compiler



- 1. Parser (lexical and syntax analysis)
- 2. Renamer
- 3. Type checker
- 4. Desugarer
- 5. Optimizer
- 6. Code generator

Compilation pipeline (1)





- HsSyn Abstract Syntax Tree (AST).
- RdrName, Name names with additional info.

AST for Haskell source code (HsSyn), module

```
data HsModule name
  = HsModule {
    hsmodName :: Maybe
                 (Located ModuleName),
    hsmodExports :: Maybe
                 (Located [LIE name]),
    hsmodImports :: [LImportDecl name],
    hsmodDecls :: [LHsDecl name],
```

AST for Haskell source code (HsSyn), declarations

```
type LHsDecl id = Located (HsDecl id)
```

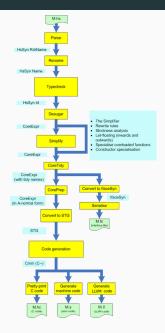
```
data HsDecl id
  = TyClD
                (TyClDecl id)
    InstD
                (InstDecl id)
    DerivD
                (DerivDecl id)
   ValD
                (HsBind id)
    SigD
                (Siq id)
                (DefaultDecl id)
    DefD
    ForD
                (ForeignDecl id)
```

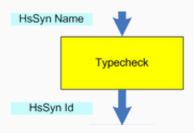
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. . .

```
WarningD
             (WarnDecls id)
AnnD
             (AnnDecl id)
             (RuleDecls id)
RuleD
VectD
             (VectDecl id)
             (SpliceDecl id)
SpliceD
DocD
             (DocDecl)
RoleAnnotD
             (RoleAnnotDecl id)
```

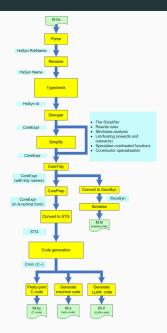
Compilation pipeline (2): type checking

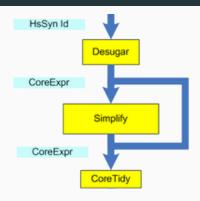




 Id—name with type (every expression has type at this step—either explicitly specified, or inferred)

Compilation pipeline (3): Core and optimisations





- Desugaring = converting to intermediate language (GHC Core)
- Optimisation

Type CoreExpr

```
type CoreBndr = Var
type CoreExpr = Expr CoreBndr
data Expr b
  = Var Id
   Lit Literal
  App (Expr b) (Arg b)
  Lam b (Expr b)
  | Let (Bind b) (Expr b)
   Case (Expr b) b Type [Alt b]
   Cast (Expr b) Coercion
   Tick (Tickish Id) (Expr b)
   Type Type
   Coercion Coercion
```

GHC Core syntax: expressions and patterns

Overline—list of subterms

Types

GHC Core optimisation

- Simplifier
- Term rewriting rules
- Strictness analysis
- Overloading specialisation
- ...

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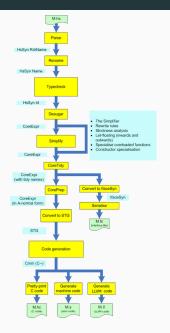
```
f a b = a + b
main = print $ f 2 3
$ ghc -c ex.hs -ddump-simpl
```

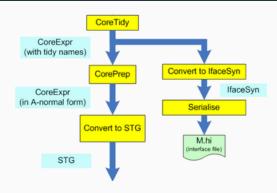
```
main :: IO ()
[GblId, Str=DmdType]
main =
 print
  a Integer
  GHC.Show.$fShowInteger
  (+ @ Integer
       GHC.Num.$fNumInteger
       2 3)
```

Marlow and Peyton Jones, 2012:

In practice Core has been incredibly stable: over a 20-year time period we have added exactly one new major feature to Core (namely coercions and their associated casts). Over the same period, the source language has evolved enormously. We attribute this stability not to our own brilliance, but rather to the fact that Core is based directly on foundational mathematics: **bravo Girard!**

Compilation pipeline (4): prepare to code generation



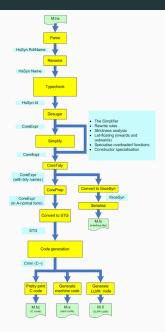


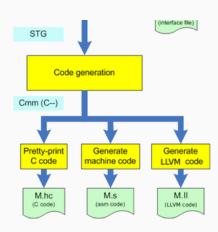
- Constructing *normal form*
- Generating interface files (for cross-module optimisations).
- STG Spineless Tagless G-machine

STG code fragment

```
sat s10R :: GHC.Integer.Type.Integer
[LclId, Str=DmdType] =
    \u srt:SRT:[rp0 :-> GHC.Num.$fNumInteger] []
        let {
          sat s100 [Occ=Once] ::
                       GHC.Integer.Type.Integer
          [LclId, Str=DmdType] =
              NO CCS GHC.Integer.Type.S#! [3#]; } in
        let {
          sat s10P [Occ=Once] ::
                       GHC. Integer. Type. Integer
          [LclId, Str=DmdType] =
              NO CCS GHC.Integer.Type.S#! [2#];
            } in GHC.Num.+ GHC.Num.$fNumInteger
                            sat s10P sat s10Q;
```

Compilation pipeline (5): code generation





 Cmm — low-level imperative language with explicit stack

Cmm code fragment

```
I64\lceil (old + 24) \rceil = stq bh upd frame info;
I64\lceil (old + 16) \rceil = c10Y::I64;
I64[Hp - 24] = GHC.Integer.Type.S\# con info;
I64 \Gamma Hp - 167 = 3;
c111::P64 = Hp - 23:
I64[Hp - 8] = GHC.Integer.Type.S\# con info;
I64 \lceil Hp \rceil = 2;
c112::P64 = Hp - 7;
R2 = GHC.Num.$fNumInteger closure;
I64\lceil (old + 48) \rceil = stq ap pp info;
P64\lceil (old + 40) \rceil = c112::P64;
P64\lceil (old + 32) \rceil = c111::P64;
call GHC.Num.+ info(R2) args: 48, res: 0, upd: 24;
```

Code generation artifacts

- Bytecode
- Native code
- C-code
- LLVM IR (LLVM intermediate representation)

How to extend compiler

- User-defined rewriting rules
- Compiler plugins
- GHC as a library (GHC API)

Term rewriting rules

 Semantically correct transformation (should be proved somehow outside GHC)

Compiler plugins

- Plugin is a single optimisation step iteration—a function from Core to Core
- Enabling by ghc option or source code pragma
- Plugin annotations to specify exactly when to run transformation

GHC as a library

- Steps modularity
- Every step is a function
- Compiler can be part of a user application

Extremely useful book

Simon L. Peyton Jones, The implementation of functional programming languages. 1987. 445 pp.

- Part 1. Compiling high-level functional languages
- Part 2. Graph reduction
- Part 3. Advanced graph reduction

Untyped λ -calculus

Book of Types

Types and programming languages, Pierce, 2002

Syntax

t ::= terms:
$$x$$
 variable λx .t abstraction x application

v ::= values: $\lambda x . t$ value-abstraction

Evaluation (operational semantics)

$$\mathsf{t} o \mathsf{t}'$$

$$\frac{\texttt{t}_1 \rightarrow \texttt{t}_1'}{\texttt{t}_1 \ \texttt{t}_2 \rightarrow \texttt{t}_1' \ \texttt{t}_2}$$

$$\frac{\texttt{t}_2 \rightarrow \texttt{t}_2'}{\texttt{v}_1 \ \texttt{t}_2 \rightarrow \texttt{v}_1 \ \texttt{t}_2'}$$

(E-App2)

$$(\lambda x.t_{12})$$
 $v_2 \rightarrow [x \mapsto v_2]t_{12}$ (E-AppAbs)

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Options

- Coding these notions in λ -calculus itself
- Adding new constructs

Untyped λ -calculus: Exercises

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$ stack build
$ stack exec untyped -- untyped/test.f
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Simply typed λ -calculus (STLC, $\lambda \rightarrow$)

Syntax

 terms: variable abstraction application

 $\lambda \times T.t$

values: value-abstraction

types: function type

Γ ::= Ø Γ, x : T

contexts: empy context binding term variable **Evaluation**

$$\mathsf{t}\to\mathsf{t}'$$

(E-AppAbs)

Typing

$$\Gamma \vdash t : T$$

$$\frac{x \ : \ T \in \Gamma}{\Gamma \vdash x \ : \ T}$$

(T-Var)

$$\frac{\Gamma, x \colon T_1 \vdash t_2 \ \colon \ T_2}{\Gamma \vdash \lambda x \colon T_1 \colon t_2 \ \colon \ T_1 \ \to \ T_2}$$

(T-Abs)

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash t_1 \ : \quad T_{11} \ \rightarrow \ T_{12} \quad \quad \Gamma \vdash t_2 \ : \quad T_{11}}{\Gamma \vdash t_1 \ t_2 \ : \quad T_{12}}$$

(T-App)

Extensions

- Basic types (Bool, Nat,...)
- Constants and operations for basic types (true, false, if/then/else, 0, succ, pred, iszero)
- Evaluation and typing rules

New typing rules

Γ⊢t : T

⊢true : Bool (T-True)

⊢ false : Bool (T-False)

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash t_1 : \text{Bool} \quad \Gamma \vdash t_2 : \quad T \quad \Gamma \vdash t_3 : \quad T}{\Gamma \vdash \text{if } t_1 \text{ then } t_2 \text{ else } t_3 : \quad T}$$
 (T-If)

$$\vdash 0 : Nat$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash t_1 : Nat}{\Gamma \vdash succ \ t_1 : Nat}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash t_1 : Nat}{\Gamma \vdash pred \ t_1 : Nat}$$
 (T-Pred)

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash \mathsf{t}_1 \; : \; \mathsf{Nat}}{\Gamma \vdash \mathsf{iszero} \; \mathsf{t}_1 \; : \; \mathsf{Bool}}$$

(T-IsZero)

(T-Zero)

(T-Succ)

Type inference trees: Example

$$\frac{ \frac{ \text{x:Bool} \in \text{x:Bool}}{\text{x:Bool} + \text{x:Bool}} \text{ T-Var} }{ \frac{ \text{-} \lambda \text{x:Bool} \cdot \text{x:Bool} \cdot \text{x:Bool}}{\text{-} \lambda \text{x:Bool} \cdot \text{x:Bool}} \text{ T-Abs}} \xrightarrow{\text{-} \text{true} : \text{Bool}} \text{ T-True} } \\ + (\lambda \text{x:Bool} \cdot \text{x}) \text{ true} : \text{Bool}}$$

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- Progress: correctly typed term is either value or can be further evaluated
- Preservation: if correctly typed term is evaluated then resulting term is correctly typed

Other typing relation properties

- Inversion lemmas (reversing typing rules)
- Type is uniquely identified
- Canonical forms (succ (succ (succ 0)))
- Preserving types in substitution
- Shuffling and weakening contexts
- Normalization
- · Explicit and implicit typing

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```
erase(x) = x

erase(\lambda x: T_1.t_2) = \lambda x. erase(t_2)

erase(t_1 t_2) = erase(t_1) erase(t_2)
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Property: evaluation commutes with erasing

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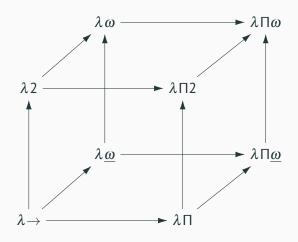
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$ stack build
$ stack exec stlc -- stlc/test.f
```

The problem: code duplication in STLC

```
doubleNat = \lambda f: Nat \rightarrow Nat.
                               \lambda x:Nat. f (f x)
doubleBool = \lambda f:Bool \rightarrow Bool.
                               \lambda x:Bool. f (f x)
doubl eFun
   \lambda f: (\mathsf{Nat} \to \mathsf{Nat}) \to (\mathsf{Nat} \to \mathsf{Nat}).
        \lambda x: Nat \rightarrow Nat. f (f x)
```

Henk Barendregt's λ -cube (1991)



System F

polymorphic λ -calculus, $\lambda 2$

id :
$$\forall X. X \rightarrow X$$

id = $\Lambda X. \lambda x : X. x$
idNat = id [Nat]

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                                      (double [X])
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Parametric polymorphism

Syntax (extends STLC)

```
t ::= terms:

x variable
\lambda x : T . t abstraction
t t application
\Lambda X . t type abstraction
t [T] type application
```

$$v ::= values: \\ \lambda x : T . t value-abstraction \\ \Lambda X . t value-type abstraction$$

 $egin{array}{ccc} \Gamma & ::= & & & & & \\ X & & & & & & \\ T \longrightarrow T & & & & & & \\ orall X.T & & & & & & \end{array}$

types: type variable function type universal type

Γ ::= ∅ Γ,x:T Γ,X contexts:
empty context
binding term variable
binding type variable

Evaluation

$$\mathsf{t} o \mathsf{t}'$$

$$\frac{t_1 \quad t_2 \rightarrow t_1' \quad t_2}{t_1 \quad t_2 \rightarrow t_2'} \qquad (E-App1)$$

$$\frac{t_2 \rightarrow t_2'}{v_1 \quad t_2 \rightarrow v_1 \quad t_2'} \qquad (E-App2)$$

$$(\lambda x\!:\!T_{11}.t_{12})\ v_2\to [x\mapsto v_2]t_{12}\ \ \text{(E-AppAbs)}$$

 $\mathsf{t}_1 o \mathsf{t}_1'$

$$rac{ extsf{t}_1
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$$(\Lambda X.t_{12})$$
 $[T_2] \rightarrow [X \mapsto T_2]t_{12}$ (E-TappTabs)

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 (T-Abs)

$$rac{\Gammadash \mathsf{t}_1 \;:\;\; T_{11} \, o\, T_{12} \qquad \Gammadash \mathsf{t}_2 \;:\;\; T_{11}}{\Gammadash \mathsf{t}_1 \;\; \mathsf{t}_2 \;:\;\; T_{12}}$$

(T-App)

$$\frac{\Gamma, X \vdash t_2 : T_2}{\Gamma \vdash \Lambda X. t_2 : \forall X. T_2}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash \mathsf{t}_1 : \forall \mathsf{X}.\mathsf{T}_{12}}{\Gamma \vdash \mathsf{t}_1 \ \Gamma \mathsf{T}_2 \rceil : \ [\mathsf{X} \mapsto \mathsf{T}_2]\mathsf{T}_{12}} \tag{T-TApp}$$

(T-TAbs)

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- (!!!) type reconstruction is undecidable

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- Impredicativity (quantified variable can be defined object itself)

Practising with System F: Haskell

```
double : \forall X. (X \rightarrow X) \rightarrow X \rightarrow X double = \Lambda X. \lambda f: X \rightarrow X. \lambda a: X. f(fa) quadruple = \Lambda X. double [X \rightarrow X] (double [X])
```

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quadruple = \Lambda X. double \Gamma X \rightarrow X T
                                (double [X])
{-# NOINLINE double #-}
double :: (a -> a) -> a -> a
double f x = f (f x)
{-# NOINLINE quadruple #-}
quadruple = double double
```

Practising with System F: Core

```
double_rpX :: forall a. (a -> a) -> a -> a
double rpX
  = \setminus (a \ a \ ayq) (f \ as1 :: a \ ayq -> a \ ayq)
                   (x as2 :: a ayq) \rightarrow
       f as 1 (f as 1 x as 2)
quadruple rrY :: forall a. (a -> a) -> a -> a
quadruple rrY
  = \ (a \ a \ avv) \rightarrow
        double rpX a (a ayv -> a ayv)
                        (double rpX a a ayv)
```

System F_{ω} ($\lambda \omega$)

Id =
$$\Lambda X$$
. X

Id = ΛX . X

Id = $\Lambda X :: * . X$

```
Id = \Lambda X. X

Id = \Lambda X::*. X

Pair = \Lambda A::*. \Lambda B::*.\forall X.

(A -> B -> X) -> X
```

```
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Id = \Lambda X :: * . X
Pair = \Lambda A::*. \Lambda B::*. \forall X.
                 (A \rightarrow B \rightarrow X) \rightarrow X
Pair :: * -> * -> *
PairNB = Pair [Nat] [Bool]
```

System F_{ω}

- Kinds: *, * → *, * → * → *, ...
- Kinding relation (kind assignment) $\Gamma \vdash T :: K$
- Definitional equality ($S \equiv T$):

```
Id Nat \rightarrow Id Bool \equiv Nat \rightarrow Bool
```

 Parallel reduction: directed version of definitional equality

Sample rules

 $\forall X::K_1.S_2 \equiv \forall X::K_1.T_2$

Modifications in typing rules (fragment)

$$\frac{\Gamma, \mathsf{X} :: \ \mathsf{K}_1 \vdash \mathsf{t}_2 \ : \ \mathsf{T}_2}{\Gamma \vdash \lambda \mathsf{X} :: \ \mathsf{K}_1 \cdot \mathsf{t}_2 \ : \ \forall \mathsf{X} :: \ \mathsf{K}_1 \cdot \mathsf{T}_2} \qquad \text{(T-TAbs)}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash \mathsf{t}_1 \ : \ \forall \mathsf{X} :: \ \mathsf{K}_{11} \cdot \mathsf{T}_{12}}{\Gamma \vdash \mathsf{T}_2 \ :: \ \mathsf{K}_{11}} \frac{\Gamma \vdash \mathsf{T}_2 \ :: \ \mathsf{K}_{11}}{\Gamma \vdash \mathsf{t}_1 \ [\mathsf{T}_2] \ : \ [\mathsf{X} \mapsto \mathsf{T}_2] \mathsf{T}_{12}} \qquad \text{(T-TApp)}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash t \ : \quad S \qquad S \equiv T \qquad \Gamma \vdash T \ :: \ *}{\Gamma \vdash t \ : \quad T} \qquad \text{(T-Eq)}$$

Long way to GHC Core

- Untyped λ -calculus
- Simply typed λ -calculus
- System F
- System F_{ω}

For many years, GHC's intermediate language was essentially:

- System Fw, plus
- algebraic data types (including existentials)

But that is inadequate to describe GADTs and associated types. So in 2006 we extended GHC to support System FC, which adds

equality constraints and coercions

GHC Commentary: The Compiler

Algebraic data types: Haskell

```
data Point x = Point x x

{-# NOINLINE xCoord #-}

xCoord (Point x _) = x
yCoord (Point _ y) = y

main = print $ xCoord (Point 2 3)
```

Algebraic data types: GHC Core

```
xCoord rq1 :: forall x. Point x -> x
xCoord rq1
  = \ (a \times a1dk) (ds d1y8 :: Point \times a1dk) \rightarrow
        case ds d1y8 of { Point x1 as6 ds1 d1ye
                            -> x1 as6 }
main :: IO ()
main
  = print
      a Integer
      GHC.Show.$fShowInteger
      (xCoord rq1 @ Integer
                    (Main.Point @ Integer 2 3))
```

Intermediate language GHC Core in System \mathbf{F}_{ω} period

t, e, u	::=	X	Variables
		K	Data constructors
		k	Literals
		λx : σ.e e u	Abstraction and application
			(values)
		Λa: η.e e φ	Abstraction and application
			(types)
		let $\overline{x} : \tau = \overline{e}$ in u	Local binding
		case e of $\overline{p \to u}$	Case expression
p	::=	$K \overline{c : \eta} \overline{x : \tau}$	Patterns

Generalized algebraic datatypes and

associated types, System FC

Generalized algebraic datatypes (GADT)

```
data Exp a where
  Zero :: Exp Int
  Succ :: Exp Int -> Exp Int
  Pair :: Exp b -> Exp c -> Exp (b, c)
```

[Peyton Jones et al., 2006; Schrijvers et al., 2009]

res = eval (Pair (Succ Zero) Zero)

```
eval :: Exp a -> a
eval Zero = 0 -- Int
eval (Succ e) = eval e + 1 -- Int
eval (Pair x y) = (eval x, eval y)
                             -- (b, c)
res = eval (Pair (Succ Zero) Zero)
    -- (Int, Int)
```

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- Now it is safe to do type cast

GHC Core Implementation

data Exp a where

Zero : \forall a.(a \sim Int) => Exp a

Succ : \forall a.(a \sim Int) =>

Exp Int -> Exp a

Pair : \forall abc.(a \sim (b,c)) =>

Exp b -> Exp c -> Exp a

- Zero has additional argument—evidence of coercibility of a to Int
- Exp is regular ADT now

zero : Exp Int
zero = Zero ???

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```

• reflexivity: any type is a coercion to itself

```
eval : Exp a -> a
eval =
    Λa:*.λx:Exp a.
    case x of
    Zero (co : a~Int) -> 0 ▶ sym co
    ...
```

- cast operator: ►
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- \blacktriangleright casts to the right hand side of \sim
- Why coercion is a type and not a value?

Associated types [Chakravarty et al., 2005]

```
class Collects c where
  type Elem c
  empty :: c
  insert :: Elem c \rightarrow c \rightarrow c
instance Eq e => Collects [e] where
  type Elem [e] = e
instance Collects BitSet where
  type Elem BitSet = Char
```

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```
foo :: Char -> BitSet
foo x = insert x empty
```

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- Record cannot contain types!

Implementation in GHC Core (System FC)

```
Type class (Haskell)
class Collects c where
  type Elem c
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Abstract type constructor and type of dictionary (Core)
type Elem : * -> *
data CollectsDict c =
  Collects {empty : c;
       insert : Elem c \rightarrow c \rightarrow c
```

Instance (Haskell)

```
instance Collects BitSet where
  type Elem BitSet = Char
  ...
```

Coercion axiom and dictionary (Core)

```
axiom elemBS : Elem BitSet \sim Char
```

```
dCollectsBS : CollectsDict Bitset
dCollectsBS = ...
```

Method call (Haskell)

```
foo :: Char -> BitSet
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```

Function call (GHC Core)

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System FC [Sulzmann et al., 2007]

- Coercions as types and arguments passing in System F style, erasability
- Operators over coercions (sym etc.) and their normalization
- Abstract type constructors and axioms
- Typing and kinding rules
- Progress and preservation
- Operational semantics
- Erasure properties
- Rules for translation from Haskell

Bugs in type-level computations and

System FC₂

Deriving instances for newlype

```
GHC extension GeneralizedNewtypeDeriving
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Question

Let T is a function over types. What about T Age \sim T Int?

Deriving instances in the presence of type-level functions

```
newtype Age = MkAge { unAge :: Int }

type family Inspect x

type instance Inspect Age = Int

type instance Inspect Int = Bool
```

```
class BadIdea a where
  bad :: a -> Inspect a
instance BadIdea Int where
  bad = (> 0)
deriving instance BadIdea Age
```

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✓ Inspect Int

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Problem

When is it OK to lift \sim ?

Roles idea

[Weirich et al., 2011; Roles (GHC Dev wiki)]

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Here come different equalities:

- nominal equality (up to type synonyms)
- · representational equality

Parametric and non-parametric type var occurences

```
data List a = Nil | Cons a (List a)
data GADT a where
  GAge :: GADT Age
  GInt :: GADT Int
class C1 a where
  foo :: a -> List a
class C2 a where
  har :: a -> GADT a
class BadIdea a where
  bad :: a -> Inspect a
```

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What is the right place for type roles?

Types and kinds in System FC_2

```
k ::= * | k' -> k kinds

R ::= n | r roles

k' ::= k/R
```

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```

Example

```
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 Inspect :: */n -> * non-parametric  
 axiom CoMkAge : (Age \sim Int)/r
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$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash \gamma_1 : \varphi_1 \sim \varphi_2 \in (\eta_1/R_2 \to \eta_2)/R_1}{\Gamma \vdash \gamma_2 : \psi_1 \sim \psi_2 \in \eta_1/\min(R_1, R_2)} \Gamma \vdash \gamma_1 \ \gamma_2 : \varphi_1 \ \psi_1 \sim \varphi_2 \ \psi_2 \in \eta_2/R_1}$$
 CAPP

- n ≤ r
- With Maybe we can use whatever we like
- With Inspect—nominal role types only

System FC₂ [Weirich et al., 2011]

- Roles for differing type application contexts
- Roles as a kind component
- Progress and preservation
- Updated translation rules
- Simplifying System FC

"Typing" type-level computations and

System $\mathbf{F}_{C}^{\uparrow}$

Vectors with GADTs: Example

```
Traditional implementation
```

```
data Zero
data Succ n
```

- Zero :: *
- Succ :: * -> *
- Vec :: * -> * -> *

- Zero :: *
- Succ :: * -> *
- Vec :: * -> * -> *
- No control at the type level!
- Succ Bool or Vec Zero Int are allowed!

Enriching kinds system with promoted types

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[Giving Haskell a Promotion: Yorgey et al., 2012]

- DataKinds, PolyKinds GHC extensions
- Type Nat becomes a kind
- Data constructors Zero and Succ become types

Computations over types (literally)

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Addition over types

Function over vectors

Kind polymorphism

```
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data EqRefl a b where
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PolyKinds implementation

```
data EqRefl (a :: X) (b :: X) where Refl :: \forall X . \forall (a :: X). EqRefl a a
```

Syntax of System F_C^{\uparrow} [Yorgey et al., 2012]

$$\begin{array}{cccc} e, \ u & ::= & \mid x & \\ & \mid \lambda x : \tau. \ e \mid e_1 \ e_2 & \\ & \mid \Lambda a : \kappa. \ e \mid e \ \tau & \\ & \mid \lambda c : \tau. \ e \mid e \ \gamma & \\ & \mid \Lambda \mathcal{X}. \ e & \\ & \mid e \ \kappa & \\ & \mid K & \\ & \mid e \triangleright \gamma & \end{array}$$

Expressions

Variables

Abstraction/application

Type abstraction/application

Coercion abstraction/application

Kind abstraction Kind application

Data constructors

Case analysis

Casting

Syntax of System $\mathsf{F}_{\mathcal{C}}^{\uparrow}$ [Yorgey et al., 2012]

 $bnd ::= q: \tau \mid w: \kappa \mid \mathcal{X}: \square$

Bindings

Kind polymorphism

Promoted type constant

System $\mathbf{F}_{\mathcal{C}}^{\uparrow}$ limitations

- Kinds can't be classified, there is only one "sort" BOX
- Only *-kinded type constructors are promoted
- No promotion for types with promoted types inside them
- No promotion for types with polymorphic kinds
- No promotion for functions!

Giving Haskell a Promotion [Yorgey et al., 2012]

- Enriching kind system
- Extending GHC Core to System F_C^{\uparrow}
- Every required type-theoretic property is guaranteed
- More optimisations available
- Changes in type inference algorithm for Haskell



System FC with explicit kind equality

[Weirich, Hsu, and Eisenberg, 2013]

- Unifying types and kinds: * :: *
- Kind equality
- Kinds may depend on types
- Same type-theoretic properties
- Weakening System F_C^{\uparrow} limitations
- Extension TypeInType (GHC 8.0, Type :: Type)

GHC Core by 2015

Expressions

[System FC, as implemented in GHC 2015]

```
Expressions, coreSyn/CoreSyn.lhs:Expr
e, u
                                                            Var: Variable
                  n
                                                            Lit: Literal
                  lit
                                                            App: Application
                  e_1 e_2
                                                            Lam: Abstraction
                  \lambda n.e
                  let binding in e
                                                            Let: Variable binding
                  case e as n return \tau of \overline{alt_i}
                                                            Case: Pattern match
                                                            Cast: Cast
                  e \triangleright \gamma
                                                            Tick: Internal note
                  e_{\{tick\}}
                                                            Type: Type
                                                            Coercion: Coercion
```

Types

GHC Core

- Typing rules
- Kinding rules
- Coercion operators
- Roles
- Core linting

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Theses structure

- Outer language (inch Dependent Haskell)
- Type inference in the outer language
- Inner language (language of evidence PiCo)
- Translating outer language to inner language
- Programming with dependent types
- Implementation details

A Specification for Dependently-Typed Haskell

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Design Haskell extension such that:

- no difference between types and terms
- sharing semantics between compile-time and runtime computations

Achievements

- System DC as backward compatible with System FC
- System D as implicitly typed version of System DC:
 - erasure
 - reconstruction
 - source of ideas for type inference in outer language
- Fully formalized and proved in Coq (SSReflect).

Fixed-size vector: Example

0 :: Nat

data Nat :: Type where

```
S :: Nat -> Nat

data Vec :: Type -> Nat -> Type where
   Nil :: Vec a 0
   (:>) :: a -> Vec a m -> Vec a ($ m)
```

Type for vector with full info about types

```
data Vec (a :: Type) (n :: Nat) :: Type where Nil :: (n \sim 0) => Vec a n (:>) :: \forall (m :: Nat). (n \sim S m) => a -> Vec a m -> Vec a n
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Function over vectors

```
zip :: \forall n a b. Vec a n -> Vec b n -> Vec (a,b)
zip Nil Nil = Nil
zip (x :> xs) (y :> ys) = (x, y) :> zip xs ys
```

- ∀ for erasable components
- It is enough to have two clauses

Function zip in SystemDC

```
zip =
  \-n:Nat. \-a:Type. \-b:Type.
  \xs:Vec a n. \ys:Vec b n.
    case xs of
    --ALT1
    --ALT2
```

--ALT1

```
Nil -> /\c1:(n \sim 0).
case ys of
Nil -> /\c2:(n \sim 0). Nil [a][n][c1]
(:>) -> \-m:Nat. /\c2:(n \sim S m).
\(\dot{y:b.}\dot{ys:Vec b m.}\)
absurd [sym c1; c2]
```

```
--AI.T2
(:>) ->
  \m:Nat. /\c1:(n \sim S m).
  \x:a. \xs:Vec a m. case ys of
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                     absurd [sym c1; c2]
   (:>) \rightarrow \-m:Nat. /\c2:(n \sim S m).
              \y:b. \ys:Vec b m.
                 (:>) [a][n][m][c1]
                        ((,) [a][b] \times y)
                        (zip \lceil m \rceil \lceil a \rceil \lceil b \rceil xs ys)
```

```
zip = \-n. \-a. \-b. \xs. \ys.
 case xs of
  Nil -> /\close{c1}. case ys of
    Nil -> /\c2. Nil [][][]
    (:>) \rightarrow \mbox{-m.} /\c2. \y. \ys.
                             absurd []
  (:>) -> \m. /\c1. \x. \xs. case ys of
    Nil -> /\c2. absurd []
    (:>) -> \mbox{-m.} /\c2. \y. \ys.
             (:>) [][][][]
                  (zip [][][] xs ys)
System D
```

System D syntax

```
terms, types a, b, A, B ::= \star |x| F | \lambda^{\rho} x.b | a b^{\rho} | \Box
|\Pi^{\rho} x:A \to B | \Lambda c.a | a[\gamma] | \forall c:\phi.A

propositions \phi ::= a \sim_{A} b

relevance \rho ::= + | -

coercions \gamma ::= \bullet

values v ::= \lambda^{+} x.a | \lambda^{-} x.v | \Lambda c.a | \star | \Pi^{\rho} x:A \to B | \forall c:\phi.A

contexts \Gamma ::= \varnothing | \Gamma, x:A | \Gamma, c:\phi

available set \Delta ::= \varnothing | \Delta, c

signature \Sigma ::= \varnothing | \Sigma \cup \{F \sim a:A\}
```

Evaluation in System D

$$\begin{array}{lll} & \text{E-APPABS} & \text{E-CAPPCABS} & \frac{\text{E-AXIOM}}{F \sim a : A \in \Sigma_0} \\ & \models (\lambda^\rho x.b) \ a^\rho \leadsto b\{a/x\} & \models (\Lambda c.b)[\gamma] \leadsto b\{\gamma/c\} & \stackrel{\text{E-APPLEFT}}{\models F \leadsto a} \\ & \stackrel{\text{E-APPLEFT}}{\models a \leadsto a'} & \stackrel{\text{E-CAPPLEFT}}{\models a \bowtie a'} & \stackrel{\text{E-CAPPLEFT}}{\models a \bowtie a'} \\ & \vdash \lambda^- x.a \leadsto \lambda^- x.a' & \stackrel{\text{E-APPLEFT}}{\models a b^\rho \leadsto a' \ b^\rho} & \stackrel{\text{E-CAPPLEFT}}{\models a[\gamma] \leadsto a'[\gamma]} \end{array}$$

Typing rules in System D

$$\Gamma \vDash a : A$$

$$\frac{\text{E-Star}}{\vdash \Gamma}$$

$$\frac{\vdash \Gamma}{\Gamma \vdash \star : \star}$$

$$E-VAR = \Gamma \qquad x: A \in \Gamma$$

$$\underbrace{\begin{array}{c} \text{E-PI} \\ \Gamma, x : A \vDash B : \star \end{array}}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{E-Var} \\ \vdash \Gamma \\ \hline \Gamma \vdash x : A \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{c} \text{E-PI} \\ \hline \Gamma, x : A \vdash B : \star \\ \hline \Gamma \vdash \Pi^{\rho}x : A \to B : \star \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{c} \text{E-Abs} \\ \hline \Gamma, x : A \vdash a : B \\ \hline \Gamma \vdash \lambda^{\rho}x . a : \Pi^{\rho}x : A \to B \end{array}$$

$$\Gamma \vDash b : \Pi^+ x : A \to B \qquad \qquad \Gamma \vDash b : \Pi^- x : A \to B$$

$$\Gamma \vDash a : A \qquad \qquad \Gamma \vDash a : A$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
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\hline
\Gamma \vDash a : A & \Gamma \vDash a : A \\
\hline
\Gamma \vDash b \ a^{+} : B\{a/x\} & \hline
\Gamma \vDash b \ \Box^{-} : B\{a/x\}
\end{array}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vDash a : A}{\Gamma; \widetilde{\Gamma} \vDash A \equiv B : \star}$$
$$\frac{\Gamma; \widetilde{\Gamma} \vDash a : B}{\Gamma \vDash a : B}$$

$$\frac{\text{E-FAM}}{\vdash \Gamma \qquad F \sim a : A \in \Sigma_0}$$

$$\Gamma \vdash F : A$$

$$\frac{\Gamma, c : \phi \vDash B : \star}{\Gamma \vDash \forall c : \phi . B : \star}$$

E-IApp

$$\frac{\Gamma, c : \phi \vDash a : B}{\Gamma \vDash \Lambda c.a : \forall c : \phi.B}$$

$$\Gamma, c: \phi \vDash B: \star$$
 $\Gamma, c: \phi \vDash a: B$ $\Gamma \vDash a_1: \forall c: (a \sim_A b). B_1$ $\Gamma; \widetilde{\Gamma} \vDash a \equiv b: A$

$$\Gamma; \Gamma \vDash a \equiv b : A$$

$$\Gamma \vDash a_1[\bullet] : B_1\{\bullet/c\}$$

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$$\frac{\vdash \Gamma}{\Gamma \vdash \star : \star}$$

$$E-VAR \\ \vdash \Gamma \qquad x: A \in \Gamma$$

E-P_I

$$\Gamma, x : A \vDash B : \star$$

$$\frac{\text{E-Var}}{\vdash \Gamma \quad x: A \in \Gamma} \qquad \frac{\text{E-PI}}{\Gamma, x: A \vDash B: \star} \qquad \frac{\text{E-Abs}}{\Gamma, x: A \vDash a: B} \qquad \frac{\rho \lor x \notin a}{\Gamma \vDash \lambda^{\rho} x. a: \Pi^{\rho} x. A \to B}$$

$$E$$
-App $\Gamma \vDash h$

E-App

$$\Gamma \vDash b : \Pi^+ x : A \to B$$

$$\Gamma \vDash a : A$$

$$\Gamma \vDash b : a^+ : B\{a/x\}$$

$$\Gamma \vDash b : \Pi^- x : A \to B$$

$$\Gamma \vDash a : A$$

$$\Gamma \vDash b : B\{a/x\}$$

E-CONV
$$\Gamma \vDash a : A$$

$$\Gamma; \widetilde{\Gamma} \vDash A \equiv B : \star$$

$$\Gamma \vDash a : B$$

$$E = FAM$$

$$\vDash \Gamma$$

$$\frac{\text{E-FAM}}{\vdash \Gamma} \qquad F \sim a : A \in \Sigma_0$$

$$\Gamma \vDash F : A$$

$$\frac{\Gamma, c : \phi \vDash B : \star}{\Gamma \vDash \forall c : \phi . B : \star}$$

E-CABS
$$\Gamma, c: \phi \vDash a: B$$

$$\frac{\Gamma, c : \phi \vDash a : B}{\Gamma \vDash \Lambda c.a : \forall c : \phi.B}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma, c : \phi \vDash B : \star}{\Gamma \vDash \forall c : \phi.B : \star} \qquad \frac{\Gamma, c : \phi \vDash a : B}{\Gamma \vDash \Lambda c.a : \forall c : \phi.B} \qquad \frac{\Gamma \vDash a_1 : \forall c : (a \sim_A b).B_1 \qquad \Gamma; \widetilde{\Gamma} \vDash a \equiv b : A}{\Gamma \vDash a_1 [\bullet] : B_1 \{\bullet/c\}}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma; \Gamma \vDash a \equiv b : A}{a = a}$$

$$\rho \lor x \notin A$$

$$\frac{\text{Rho-Rel}}{+ \vee x \notin A}$$

System D: other components

- definitional equality (many rules)
- Progress and preservation

System DC

- System D plus explicit types in abstractions proofs for coercions
- Erasing to System D
- Decidable syntax-directed typing
- · Uniqueness of typing
- Evaluation
- Progress and preservation
- No full System FC implementation

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