



Consistency Types for Replicated Data in a Higher-order Distributed Programming Language

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Highlights:

```
def numberOfSeats(event: ID): Int = {
  fastRead(event + "num_seats")
}

def book(event: ID) = {
  val remaining: Int = numberOfSeats(event)
  if (remaining >= event.orderNum)
    paymentProcess(event)
  else display("Out of seats!")
}
```

Available
read from a
single replica

Result of available but
inconsistent operation!

Consistent
state update!

**Problem: update of consistent
state based on inconsistent
information!**

Solution

```
def numberOfSeats(event: ID): Int@con = {
  consistentRead(event + "num_seats")
}

def book(event: ID) = {
  val remaining: Int@con = numberOfSeats(event)
  if (remaining >= event.orderNum)
    paymentProcess(event)
  else display("Out of seats!")
}
```

Must strengthen
consistency!

A **higher-order static consistency-typed** language with replicated data types

Supports shared data among **multiple clients**

Statically enforces non-interference between data types with weaker consistency and data types with stronger consistency

Proofs of **type soundness**, **non-interference** and the **consistency properties**

$\ell ::= \text{loc} \mid \text{con} \mid \text{oac} \mid \text{ava}$	label
$t ::= x \mid v \mid t[\ell] \mid t \oplus t \mid t \text{ op } t \mid t t \mid \text{if } x \text{ then } \{s\} \text{ else } \{t\} \mid \text{ref}_\ell(t, id) \mid \text{await}(id) \mid !t \mid t := t \mid \text{FlexRead}_\ell(t) \mid \text{FlexWrite}_\ell(t, t)$	terms
$r ::= d \mid \text{true} \mid \text{false} \mid (\lambda^\ell x : \tau. t) \mid \text{unit} \mid o$	raw value
$id ::= (\ell, n) \text{ where } n \in \mathbb{N}$	identifier
$v ::= r_\ell \mid \text{duplicated}(t)$	labeled value
$\tau ::= \text{Bool}_\ell \mid \text{Unit}_\ell \mid \text{Lat}_\ell \mid \text{Ref}_\ell \tau \mid \tau \xrightarrow{\ell} \tau$	types
$\oplus ::= \vee \mid \wedge$	meet and join
$\text{op} ::= \leq \mid <$	order operations

Figure 6 Syntax of CTRD core language