

$$x : \forall \bar{a}. A \in \Gamma \quad \frac{}{\Gamma \vdash x : A[\bar{B}/\bar{a}]} \text{ (TVar)}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash M : B \rightarrow A \quad \Gamma \vdash N : B}{\Gamma \vdash MN : A} \text{ (TApp)}$$

$$x \notin \text{dom } \Gamma \quad \frac{\Gamma \cup \{x : B\} \vdash M : A}{\Gamma \vdash \lambda x. M : B \rightarrow A} \text{ (TAbs)}$$

We say that a closed term M is ***typable*** just if some type S such that $\vdash M : S$ is derivable in the type system.

INVERSION THEOREM

Theorem (Inversion)

Suppose $\Gamma \vdash M : A$ (is derivable), then:

- If M is a variable x , then there is a type scheme $\forall \bar{a}. B$ (with \bar{a} possibly empty) and $A = B[\bar{C}/\bar{a}]$ for some monotypes \bar{C} .
- If M is an application PQ , then there is a type B such that $\Gamma \vdash P : B \rightarrow A$ and $\Gamma \vdash Q : B$.
- If M is an abstraction $\lambda x. P$, then there are types B and C such that $A = B \rightarrow C$, and $\Gamma, x : B \vdash P : C$.

TYPING PROBLEMS

- **Typability.** Given a closed term M , is M typable?
- **Type checking.** Given a closed term M and a type A , is $\vdash M : A$ derivable?
- **Type inference.** Given a closed term M , compute all types A such that $\vdash M : A$.

