

$\Omega \vdash a :^\ell A$

*(Typing)*

  

$\frac{\text{T-TYPE} \quad \mathbf{axiom} \ s_1 \ s_2}{\Omega \vdash s_1 :^\ell s_2}$	$\frac{\text{T-CONV} \quad \begin{array}{c} \Omega \vdash a :^\ell A \\  \top \downarrow \Omega  \vdash A \equiv_{\ell_0} B \\ \top \downarrow \Omega \vdash B :^{\ell_0} s \end{array}}{\Omega \vdash a :^\ell B}$	$\frac{\text{T-VAR} \quad \ell_0 \leq \ell \quad x :^{\ell_0} A \in \Omega}{\Omega \vdash x :^\ell A}$
$\frac{\text{T-PI} \quad \begin{array}{c} \Omega \vdash A :^\ell s_1 \\ \Omega, x :^\ell A \vdash B :^\ell s_2 \\ \mathbf{rule\_pi} \ s_1 \ s_2 \ s_3 \end{array}}{\Omega \vdash \Pi x :^{\ell_0} A. B :^\ell s_3}$	$\frac{\text{T-ABS} \quad \begin{array}{c} \Omega, x :^{\ell_0} A \vdash b :^\ell B \\ \top \downarrow \Omega \vdash (\Pi x :^{\ell_0} A. B) :^{\ell_1} s \end{array}}{\Omega \vdash \lambda^{\ell_0} x : A. b :^\ell \Pi x :^{\ell_0} A. B}$	$\frac{\text{T-APP} \quad \begin{array}{c} \Omega \vdash b :^\ell \Pi x :^{\ell_0} A. B \\ \ell \downarrow \Omega \vdash a :^{\ell_0} A \end{array}}{\Omega \vdash b \ a^{\ell_0} :^\ell B\{a/x\}}$
$\frac{\text{T-WSIGMA} \quad \begin{array}{c} \Omega \vdash A :^\ell s_1 \\ \Omega, x :^\ell A \vdash B :^\ell s_2 \\ \mathbf{rule\_sig} \ s_1 \ s_2 \ s_3 \end{array}}{\Omega \vdash \Sigma x :^{\ell_0} A. B :^\ell s_3}$	$\frac{\text{T-WPAIR} \quad \begin{array}{c} \top \downarrow \Omega \vdash (\Sigma x :^{\ell_0} A. B) :^C s \\ \ell \downarrow \Omega \vdash a :^{\ell_0} A \\ \Omega \vdash b :^\ell B\{a/x\} \end{array}}{\Omega \vdash (a^{\ell_0}, b) :^\ell \Sigma x :^{\ell_0} A. B}$	
$\frac{\text{T-LETPAIR} \quad \begin{array}{c} \top \downarrow \Omega \vdash (\Pi y :^\ell B. C) :^{\ell_1} s \\ \Omega \vdash a :^\ell (\Sigma x :^{\ell_0} A. B) \\ \Omega, x :^{\ell_0} A \vdash c :^\ell (\Pi y :^k B. C) \end{array}}{\Omega \vdash \mathbf{let} \ (x^{\ell_0}, ) = a \ \mathbf{in} \ c :^\ell C}$		

  

$\ell \downarrow \emptyset = \emptyset$   
 $\ell \downarrow \Omega, x :^{\ell_0} A = \ell \downarrow \Omega, x :^{\ell_0} A \text{ if } \neg(\ell_0 \leq \ell)$   
 $\ell \downarrow \Omega, x :^{\ell_0} A = \ell \downarrow \Omega, x :^\perp A \text{ if } \ell_0 \leq \ell$

Figure 1: Typing

Some high-level ideas on why the system is cool:

- It unifies the two relevance tracking mechanisms in DDC into a single one. There is no special case for when  $\ell$  is top. In fact, the system does not even require a top element for the labels.
- The system is expressive enough to encode strong existentials. I believe all the interesting examples that DDC supports are also supported in this reformulated system.
- During compile-time reasoning, this system can ignore more terms than

DDC. (todo: write down those examples) The expressiveness stems from the fact that the system squashes the observer label more often than DDC. (will explain what squash means in this system later)

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Some notable changes compared to DDC:

- The labels  $\ell$  must form a linear order. This is necessary for consistency to hold. It is okay for the linear order to be top-less.
- The typing judgment can take any label  $\ell$ . The base cases such as rule T-TYPE, rule T-VAR no longer exclude the top element (in this reformulated version,  $l$  may not even have a top element).
- Well-formedness for types are no longer checked at the top level. Instead, we consider a type to be well-formed as long as there exists some label  $\ell_1$  where we can check the type. This design can be seen in both rule T-ABS and rule T-CONV (the notation  $\ell \downarrow \Omega$  will be explained in the next bullet point).
- The system introduces the squash operation  $\ell \downarrow \Omega$  (bottom of Figure 1), which serves a similar function to resurrection but works slightly differently. Given a label  $\ell$ ,  $\ell \downarrow \Omega$  returns a context with the labels visible at  $\ell$  squashed to bottom and everything else left unchanged. One use case of the squash operation can be found in rule T-APP. When applying a function  $b$  to a term  $a$  boxed at level  $\ell_0$ , we squash  $\Omega$  with the current label  $\ell$  before checking  $a$  at level  $\ell_0$ . This subsumes the two application rules from DDC. The squashing on the context is necessary so we can allow a relevant function to be applied to an irrelevant argument that appears in an irrelevant position. DDC implements this idea by joining  $\ell$  and  $\ell_0$  before checking  $a$ . DDC's implementation loses some opportunities for compile-time irrelevance from raising the label. (need a few examples to explain this better)
- Rule T-CONV shows how compile-time irrelevance is implemented in the system. The equality between  $A$  and  $B$  is graded at some level  $\ell_0$  rather than a specific top or run-time irrelevant level. The intuition is as follows: If  $A$  is well-graded at  $\ell_0$ , then we are licensed to use any equalities that are at level  $\ell_0$  or above. This is definitely consistent. I can explain why that's the case in person. It relies on a specific property about parallel reduction that I've already proven in Coq (it's formulated in DE, but should be portable to DDC).
- The equality rules are omitted, though they do need to be revised accordingly based on the the typing judgment presented here. I want to refactor the equality rules so they are typed. I find the well-graded judgment and graded equality much harder to work with than a self-contained typed equality.