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Type Systems

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Lecture 3: [Dependent Type Theory / Logical Framework](#)

For $\lambda \rightarrow$ and $\lambda 2$:

Direct encoding (**deep embedding**) of logic in type theory.

- **Connectives** each have a counterpart in the type theory:
implication \sim arrow type
- **logical rules** have their direct counterpart in type theory
 λ -abstraction \sim implication introduction
application \sim implication elimination
- Context declares **assumptions**

Second way of interpreting logic in type theory **De Bruijn**:

Logical framework encoding or **shallow embedding** of logic in type theory.

- Type theory used as a **meta system** for **encoding** ones own logic.
- Choose an appropriate **context** Γ_L , in which the logic L (including its proof rules) is declared.
- Context used as a **signature** for the logic.
- Use the type system as the ‘meta’ calculus for dealing with **substitution** and **binding**.

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The encoding of logics in a logical framework is shown by three examples:

1. Minimal proposition logic
2. Minimal predicate logic (just $\{\supset, \forall\}$)
3. Untyped λ -calculus

Minimal propositional logic

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imp : $\text{prop} \rightarrow \text{prop} \rightarrow \text{prop}$

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The type **prop** is the type of ‘**names**’ of propositions:

NB: A term of type **prop** can not be **inhabited** (**proved**), as it is not a type.

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We ‘**lift**’ a name $p : \text{prop}$ to the **type of its proofs** by introducing the following map:

T : $\text{prop} \rightarrow \text{type}$.

Intended meaning of **T** p is ‘the **type of proofs** of p ’.

We interpret ‘ **p is valid**’ by ‘**T** p is inhabited’.

To derive $\top p$ we also encode the **logical derivation rules**

imp_intr : $\prod p, q : \text{prop.} (\top p \rightarrow \top q) \rightarrow \top (p \supset q)$,

imp_el : $\prod p, q : \text{prop.} \top (p \supset q) \rightarrow \top p \rightarrow \top q$.

New phenomenon: **Π -type**:

$\prod x:A. B(x) \simeq$ the type of functions f such that
 $f a : B(a)$ for all $a:A$

imp_intr takes two (names of) **propositions** p and q and a term
 $f : \top p \rightarrow \top q$ and returns a term of type $\top (p \supset q)$

Indeed $A \supset A$, becomes valid:

$\text{imp_intr } A \ A (\lambda x : \top A. x) : \top (A \supset A)$

Define

Σ_{PROP} to be the signature for minimal proposition logic, **PROP**.

Desired **properties** of the encoding:

- **Adequacy** (**soundness**) of the encoding:

$\vdash_{\text{PROP}} A \Rightarrow \Sigma_{\text{PROP}}, a_1:\text{prop}, \dots, a_n:\text{prop} \vdash p : \top A$ for some p .

$\{a, \dots, a_n\}$ is the set of proposition variables in A .

Proof by induction on the derivation of $\vdash_{\text{PROP}} A$.

- **Faithfulness** (or **completeness**) is the converse. It also holds, but more involved to prove.

Minimal predicate logic over one domain A (just \supset and \forall)

Signature:

$\text{prop} : \text{type},$
 $A : \text{type},$
 $c : A,$
 $f : A \rightarrow A,$
 $R : A \rightarrow A \rightarrow \text{prop},$
 $\supset : \text{prop} \rightarrow \text{prop} \rightarrow \text{prop},$
 $\text{imp_intr} : \prod p, q : \text{prop}. (\top p \rightarrow \top q) \rightarrow \top (p \supset q),$
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Now encode \forall :

\forall takes a $P : A \rightarrow \text{prop}$ and returns a proposition, so:

$\forall : (A \rightarrow \text{prop}) \rightarrow \text{prop}$

Minimal predicate logic over one domain A (just \supset and \forall)

Signature: Σ_{PRED}

$\text{prop} : \text{type},$

$A : \text{type},$

\vdots

$\supset : \text{prop} \rightarrow \text{prop} \rightarrow \text{prop},$

$\text{imp_intr} : \prod p, q : \text{prop}. (\top p \rightarrow \top q) \rightarrow \top(p \supset q),$

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Universal quantification is translated as follows.

$\forall x:A.(Px) \mapsto \text{forall}(\lambda x:A.(Px))$

Intro and elim rules for \forall :

forall : $(A \rightarrow \text{prop}) \rightarrow \text{prop}$,

forall_intr : $\Pi P:A \rightarrow \text{prop}. (\Pi x:A. \text{T}(Px)) \rightarrow \text{T}(\text{forall } P)$,

forall_elim : $\Pi P:A \rightarrow \text{prop}. \text{T}(\text{forall } P) \rightarrow \Pi x:A. \text{T}(Px)$.

The proof of

$$\forall z:A (\forall x, y:A. Rxy) \supset Rzz$$

is now mirrored by the proof-term

forall_intr[-]($\lambda z:A. \text{imp_intr}[-][-](\lambda h:\text{T}(\forall x, y:A. Rxy)).$
forall_elim[-](**forall_elim**[-]hz)))

We have replaced the instantiations of the Π -type by [-].

This term is of type

forall($\lambda z:A. \text{imp}(\text{forall}(\lambda x:A. (\text{forall}(\lambda y:A. Rxy)))))(Rzz)$)

Again one can prove **adequacy**

$\vdash_{\text{PRED}} \varphi \Rightarrow \Sigma_{\text{PRED}, x_1:A, \dots, x_n:A} \vdash p : T\varphi$, for some p ,
where $\{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$ is the set of free variables in φ .

Faithfulness can be proved as well.

Untyped λ -calculus

Signature Σ_{lambda} :

$$\begin{aligned} D &: \text{type}; \\ \text{app} &: D \rightarrow (D \rightarrow D); \\ \text{abs} &: (D \rightarrow D) \rightarrow D. \end{aligned}$$

Encoding of λ -terms as terms of type D .

- A variable x in λ -calculus becomes $x : D$ in the type system.
- The translation $[-] : \Lambda \rightarrow \text{Term}(D)$ is defined as follows.

$$\begin{aligned} [x] &= x; \\ [PQ] &= \text{app } [P] [Q]; \\ [\lambda x.P] &= \text{abs } (\lambda x:D.[P]). \end{aligned}$$

Examples: $[\lambda x.xx] := \text{abs}(\lambda x:D.\text{app } x x)$

$[(\lambda x.xx)(\lambda y.y)] := \text{app}(\text{abs}(\lambda x:D.\text{app } x x))(\text{abs}(\lambda y:D.y)).$

Introducing β -equality in Σ_{lambd} :

$\text{eq}:\text{D}\rightarrow\text{D}\rightarrow\text{type}.$

Notation $P = Q$ for $\text{eq } P Q$.

Rules for proving equalities.

refl : $\Pi x:\text{D}.x = x,$

sym : $\Pi x, y:\text{D}.x = y \rightarrow y = x,$

trans : $\Pi x, y, z:\text{D}.x = y \rightarrow y = z \rightarrow x = z,$

mon : $\Pi x, x', z, z':\text{D}.x = x' \rightarrow z = z' \rightarrow (\text{app } z x) = (\text{app } z' x'),$

xi : $\Pi f, g:\text{D}\rightarrow\text{D}.(\Pi x:\text{D}.(fx) = (gx)) \rightarrow (\text{abs } f) = (\text{abs } g),$

beta : $\Pi f:\text{D}\rightarrow\text{D}.\Pi x:\text{D}.(app(abs f)x) = (fx).$

Adequacy:

$P =_{\beta} Q \Rightarrow \Sigma_{\lambda, x_1:D, \dots, x_n:D} \vdash p : [P] = [Q]$, for some p .

Here, x_1, \dots, x_n are the free variables in PQ

Faithfulness also holds.

Logical Framework, LF, or λP

Derive judgements of the form

$$\Gamma \vdash M : B$$

- Γ is a **context**
- M and B are **terms**
taken from the set of pseudoterms

$$T ::= \text{Var} \mid \text{type} \mid \text{kind} \mid TT \mid \lambda x:T.T \mid \Pi x:T.T,$$

Auxiliary judgement

$$\Gamma \vdash$$

denoting that Γ is a **correct context**.

Derivation rules of **LF**. (s ranges over {type, kind}.)

$$\begin{array}{l}
 \text{(base)} \quad \emptyset \vdash \quad \text{(ctxt)} \quad \frac{\Gamma \vdash A : \mathbf{s}}{\Gamma, x:A \vdash} \quad \text{if } x \text{ not in } \Gamma \quad \text{(ax)} \quad \frac{\Gamma \vdash}{\Gamma \vdash \mathbf{type} : \mathbf{kind}}
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l}
 \text{(proj)} \quad \frac{\Gamma \vdash}{\Gamma \vdash x : A} \quad \text{if } x:A \in \Gamma \quad \text{(\Pi)} \quad \frac{\Gamma, x:A \vdash B : \mathbf{s} \quad \Gamma \vdash A : \mathbf{type}}{\Gamma \vdash \Pi x:A.B : \mathbf{s}}
 \end{array}$$

$$\text{(\lambda)} \quad \frac{\Gamma, x:A \vdash M : B \quad \Gamma \vdash \Pi x:A.B : \mathbf{s}}{\Gamma \vdash \lambda x:A.M : \Pi x:A.B}$$

$$\text{(app)} \quad \frac{\Gamma \vdash M : \Pi x:A.B \quad \Gamma \vdash N : A}{\Gamma \vdash MN : B[N/x]}$$

$$\text{(conv)} \quad \frac{\Gamma \vdash M : B \quad \Gamma \vdash A : \mathbf{s}}{\Gamma \vdash M : A} \quad A =_{\beta\eta} B$$

Notation: write $A \rightarrow B$ for $\Pi x:A.B$ if $x \notin \text{FV}(B)$.

- The contexts Σ_{PROP} , Σ_{PRED} and Σ_{lambda} are well-formed.
- The Π rule allows to form two forms of function types.

$$(\Pi) \frac{\Gamma, x:A \vdash B : \mathbf{s} \quad \Gamma \vdash A : \mathbf{type}}{\Gamma \vdash \Pi x:A. B : \mathbf{s}}$$

- With $\mathbf{s} = \mathbf{type}$, we can form $\mathbf{D} \rightarrow \mathbf{D}$ and $\Pi x:\mathbf{D}. x = x$, etc.
- With $\mathbf{s} = \mathbf{kind}$, we can form $\mathbf{D} \rightarrow \mathbf{D} \rightarrow \mathbf{type}$ and $\mathbf{prop} \rightarrow \mathbf{type}$.

Properties of λP .

- **Uniqueness of types**

If $\Gamma \vdash M : \sigma$ and $\Gamma \vdash M : \tau$, then $\sigma =_{\beta\eta} \tau$.

- **Subject Reduction**

If $\Gamma \vdash M : \sigma$ and $M \longrightarrow_{\beta\eta} N$, then $\Gamma \vdash N : \sigma$.

- **Strong Normalization**

If $\Gamma \vdash M : \sigma$, then all $\beta\eta$ -reductions from M terminate.

Proof of SN is by defining a reduction preserving map from λP to $\lambda \rightarrow$.

Decidability Questions:

$\Gamma \vdash M : \sigma?$ TCP
 $\Gamma \vdash M : ?$ TSP
 $\Gamma \vdash ? : \sigma$ TIP

For λP :

- TIP is **undecidable**
- TCP/TSP: simultaneously with **Context checking**

Type Checking

Define algorithms $\text{Ok}(-)$ and $\text{Type}_-(-)$ simultaneously:

- $\text{Ok}(-)$ takes a **context** and returns 'true' or 'false'
- $\text{Type}_-(-)$ takes a **context** and a **term** and returns a **term** or 'false'.

The **type synthesis algorithm** $\text{Type}_-(-)$ is **sound** if

$$\text{Type}_\Gamma(M) = A \Rightarrow \Gamma \vdash M : A$$

for all Γ and M .

The **type synthesis algorithm** $\text{Type}_-(-)$ is **complete** if

$$\Gamma \vdash M : A \Rightarrow \text{Type}_\Gamma(M) =_{\beta\eta} A$$

for all Γ , M and A .

$$\text{Ok}(\langle \rangle) = \text{'true'}$$

$$\text{Ok}(\Gamma, x:A) = \text{Type}_\Gamma(A) \in \{\mathbf{type}, \mathbf{kind}\},$$

$$\text{Type}_\Gamma(x) = \text{if } \text{Ok}(\Gamma) \text{ and } x:A \in \Gamma \text{ then } A \text{ else 'false'},$$

$$\text{Type}_\Gamma(\mathbf{type}) = \text{if } \text{Ok}(\Gamma) \text{ then } \mathbf{kind} \text{ else 'false'},$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Type}_\Gamma(MN) = & \text{if } \text{Type}_\Gamma(M) = C \text{ and } \text{Type}_\Gamma(N) = D \\ & \text{then if } C \rightarrow_\beta \Pi x:A.B \text{ and } A =_\beta D \\ & \text{then } B[N/x] \text{ else 'false'} \\ & \text{else 'false'}, \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Type}_\Gamma(\lambda x:A.M) = \text{if } \text{Type}_{\Gamma, x:A}(M) = B$$

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$$\text{then } s \text{ else 'false'}$$

Soundness

$$\text{Type}_\Gamma(M) = A \Rightarrow \Gamma \vdash M : A$$

Completeness

$$\Gamma \vdash M : A \Rightarrow \text{Type}_\Gamma(M) =_{\beta\eta} A$$

This implies that, if $\text{Type}_\Gamma(M) = \text{'false'}$, then M is not typable in Γ .

Completeness only makes sense if we have **uniqueness of types**
(Otherwise: let $\text{Type}_-(_)$ generate a **set of possible types**)

Termination

We want $\text{Type}_-(_)$ to **terminate** on all inputs.
(Not guaranteed by **soundness** and **completeness**)

Interesting cases: λ -abstraction and application:

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Replace the side condition

$$\text{if } \text{Type}_\Gamma(\Pi x:A.B) \in \{\mathbf{type}, \mathbf{kind}\}$$

by

$$\mathbf{if } \text{Type}_\Gamma(A) \in \{\mathbf{type}\}$$

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For this case, **termination** follows from the **decidability of equality** on **well-typed** terms (using **SN** and **CR**).