

编程语言的设计原理 Design Principles of Programming Languages

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Chapter 8: Typed Arithmetic Expressions

Types

The Typing Relation

Safety = Progress + Preservation

Review: Arithmetic Expression - Syntax



```
terms
                                                 constant true
        true
        false
                                                 constant false
        if t then t else t
                                                 conditional
                                                 constant zero
        succ t
                                                 successor
                                                 predecessor
        pred t
        iszero t
                                                 zero test
                                               values
                                                 true value
        true
                                                 false value
        false
                                                 numeric value
        nv
                                                numeric values
nv ::=
                                                 zero value
                                                 successor value
        succ nv
```

Review: Arithmetic Expression - Evaluation Rules



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$$\frac{t_1 \longrightarrow t_1'}{\text{succ } t_1 \longrightarrow \text{succ } t_1'} \qquad \text{(E-Succ)}$$

$$\text{pred } 0 \longrightarrow 0 \qquad \text{(E-PREDZERO)}$$

$$\text{pred (succ } \text{nv}_1) \longrightarrow \text{nv}_1 \qquad \text{(E-PREDSUCC)}$$

$$\frac{t_1 \longrightarrow t_1'}{\text{pred } t_1 \longrightarrow \text{pred } t_1'} \qquad \text{(E-PRED)}$$

$$\text{iszero } 0 \longrightarrow \text{true} \qquad \text{(E-ISZEROZERO)}$$

$$\text{iszero (succ } \text{nv}_1) \longrightarrow \text{false} \qquad \text{(E-ISZEROSUCC)}$$

$$\frac{t_1 \longrightarrow t_1'}{\text{iszero } t_1 \longrightarrow \text{iszero } t_1'} \qquad \text{(E-ISZERO)}$$

Evaluation Results



Either values

```
v ::= values
true true value
false false value
nv numeric value

nv ::= numeric values

o zero value
succ nv successor value
```

Or stuckness

```
- e.g, pred false
```

Types of Terms



- Can we tell, without actually evaluating a term, that the term evaluation will not get stuck?
- If we can distinguish two types of terms:
 - Nat: terms whose results will be a numeric value
 - Bool: terms whose results will be a Boolean value
- "a term t has type T" means that
 - t "obviously" (statically) evaluates to a value of T
 - if true then false else true has type Bool
 - pred (succ (pred (succ 0))) has type Nat



The Typing Relation t: T

Types



Values have two possible "shapes": either booleans or numbers.

```
T ::=

Bool
Nat
```

```
types
type of booleans
type of numbers
```

Typing Rules



```
(T-True)
          true : Bool
                                           (T-False)
          false: Bool
                            t<sub>3</sub> ( T
t_1: Bool
                                                (T-I_F)
 if t<sub>1</sub> then t<sub>2</sub> else t<sub>3</sub>: T
                                           (T-Zero)
             0 : Nat
             t_1: Nat
                                            (T-Succ)
         succ t_1 : Nat
             t_1: Nat
                                           (T-Pred)
         pred t<sub>1</sub>: Nat
             t_1: Nat
                                         (T-IsZero)
       iszero t_1: Bool
```

Typing Relation: Formal Definition



Definition:

the *typing relation* for arithmetic expressions is the *smallest binary relation* between *terms* and *types* satisfying **all instances** of the typing rules.

A term t is typable (or well typed) if there is some T such that t: T.

Typing Derivation



 Every pair (t, T) in the typing relation can be justified by a derivation tree built from instances of the inference rules.

- Proofs of properties about the typing relation often proceed by induction on typing derivations.
- Statements are formal assertions about the typing of programs.
- Typing rules are implications between statements.
- Derivations are deductions based on typing rules.

Imprecision of Typing



 Like other static program analyses, type systems are generally imprecise: they do not predict exactly what kind of value will be returned by every program, but just a conservative (safe) approximation.

$$\frac{t_1 : Bool}{if t_1 then t_2 else t_3 : T}$$
 (T-IF)

Using this rule, we cannot assign a type to

```
if true then 0 else false
```

even though this term will certainly evaluate to a number



Properties of The Typing Relation

Inversion Lemma (Generation Lemma)



- Given a valid typing statement, it shows
 - how a proof of this statement could have been generated;
 - a recursive algorithm for calculating the types of terms.

```
1. If true : R, then R = Bool.
```

- 2. If false: R, then R = Bool.
- 3. If if t_1 then t_2 else t_3 : R, then t_1 : Bool, t_2 : R, and t_3 : R.
- 4. If 0 : R, then R = Nat.
- 5. If succ t_1 : R, then R = Nat and t_1 : Nat.
- 6. If pred t_1 : R, then R = Nat and t_1 : Nat.
- 7. If iszero $t_1 : R$, then R = Bool and $t_1 : Nat$.

Typechecking Algorithm



```
typeof(t) = if t = true then Bool
            else if t = false then Bool
            else if t = if t1 then t2 else t3 then
              let T1 = typeof(t1) in
              let T2 = typeof(t2) in
              let T3 = typeof(t3) in
              if T1 = Bool and T2=T3 then T2
              else "not typable"
            else if t = 0 then Nat
            else if t = succ t1 then
              let T1 = typeof(t1) in
              if T1 = Nat then Nat else "not typable"
            else if t = pred t1 then
              let T1 = typeof(t1) in
              if T1 = Nat then Nat else "not typable"
            else if t = iszero t1 then
              let T1 = typeof(t1) in
              if T1 = Nat then Bool else "not typable"
```

Canonical Forms



- Lemma:
 - 1. If v is a value of type Bool, then v is either true or false.
 - 2. If v is a value of type Nat, then v is a numeric value.

For part 1, if v is true or false, the result is immediate. But v cannot be 0 or succ nv, since the inversion lemma tells us that v would then have type Nat, not Bool.

Part 2 is similar.

Uniqueness of Types



• **Theorem** [Uniqueness of Types]:

Each term *t* has at most one type. i.e., if *t* is typable, then its type is *unique*.

 Note: later on, we may have a type system where a term may have many types.



Safety

Progress + Preservation

Safety (Soundness)



By safety, it means well-typed terms do not "go wrong".

• By "go wrong", it means reaching a "stuck state" that is not a final value but where the evaluation rules do not tell what to do next.

Safety = Progress + Preservation



Well-typed terms do not get stuck



Progress: A well-typed term is not stuck (either it is a value or it can take a step according to the evaluation rules).

 Preservation: If a well-typed term takes a step of evaluation, then the resulting term is also well typed.

Progress



Theorem [Progress]: Suppose t is a well-typed term (that is, t : T for some T). Then either t is a value or else there is some t' with $t \rightarrow t'$.

Proof: By induction on a **derivation of t**: T.

- case T-True: true: Bool OK?
- case T-False, T-Zero are immediate, since t in these cases is a value.
- case T-lf: $t = if t_1 then t_2 else t_3$ $t_1 : Bool, t_2 : T, t_3 : T$

By the induction hypothesis, either t_1 is a value or there is some t_1' such that $t_1 \rightarrow t_1'$.

If t₁ is a value, then the canonical forms lemma tells us that it must be either true or false, in which case either E-IFTrue or E-IFFalse applies to t.

On the other hand, if $t_1 \rightarrow t_1'$, then, by E-IF, $t_1 \rightarrow$ if t_1' then t_2 else t_3 .

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 The cases for rules T-Zero, T-Succ, T-Pred, and T-IsZero are similar.

Preservation



Theorem [Preservation]:

If t : T and $t \to t'$, then t' : T.

Proof: By induction on a derivation of t : T. Each step of the induction assumes that the desired property holds for all sub-derivations and proceed by case analysis on the final rule in the derivation.

- case T-IF: $t = if t_1 then t_2 else t_3 t_1 : Bool, t_2 : T, t_3 : T$

There are three evaluation rules by which and $t \rightarrow t'$ can be derived:

E-IFTrue, E-IFFalse, and E-IF. Consider each case separately.

- Subcase E-IFTrue: $t_1 = true$ $t' = t_2$

Immediate, by the assumption t_2 : T.

E-IFFalse subcase: similar.

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- Subcase E-IF: $t_1 \rightarrow t_1'$, $t' = if t_1'$ then t_2 else t_3

Applying the IH to the subderivation of t_1 : Bool yields t_1' : Bool. ombining this with the assumptions that , t_2 : T, and t_3 : T, we can apply rule T-IF to conclude that if if t_1' then t_2 else t_3 : T, that is, t': T

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The preservation theorem is often *called subject reduction property* (or *subject evaluation property*)

Recap: Type Systems



- Very successful example of a lightweight formal method
- big topic in PL research
- enabling technology for all sorts of other things, e.g., language-based security
- the skeleton around which modern programming languages are designed

Homework



- Read Chapter 8.
- Do Exercises 8.3.6