# Monomorphic Type Systems









#### The Reading

Explain the Xavier Leroy article to me ...

The correctness of the translation follows from a simulation argument between the executions of the Cminor source and the RTL translation, proved by induction on the Cminor evaluation derivation. In the case of expressions, the simulation property is summarized by the following diagram:

$$sp, L, a, E, M \xrightarrow{I \wedge P} sp, n_s, R, M$$

$$\downarrow \qquad \qquad \downarrow *$$
 $sp, L, v, E', M' \xrightarrow{I \wedge Q} sp, n_d, R', M'$ 

On the choice of semantics We used big-step semantics for the source language, "mixed-step" semantics for the intermediate languages, and small-step semantics for the target language. A consequence of this choice is that our semantic preservation theorems hold only for terminating source programs: they all have premises of the form "if the source program evaluates to result r" which do not hold for non-terminating programs. This is unfortunate for

How did he do register allocation?

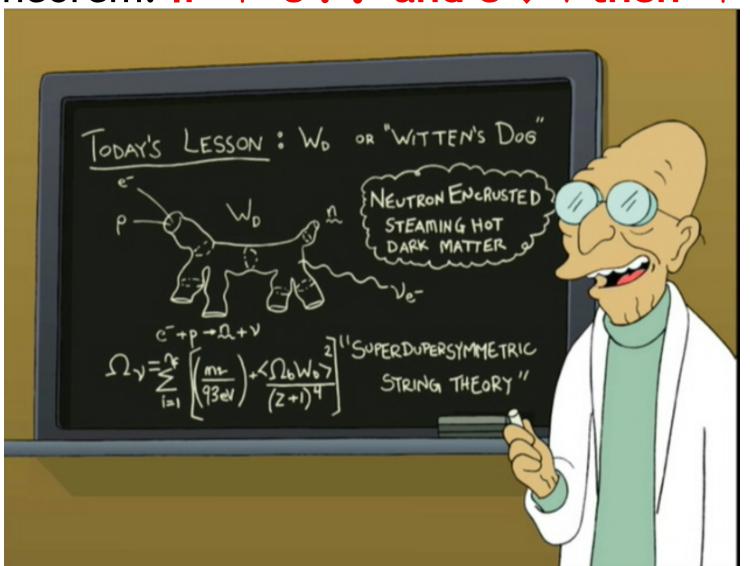
## Type Soundness for F<sub>1</sub>

What does this mean?

- Theorem: If  $\cdot \vdash e : \tau$  and  $e \lor v$  then  $\cdot \vdash v : \tau$ 
  - Also called, <u>subject reduction</u> theorem, <u>type</u> <u>preservation</u> theorem
- This is one of the most important sorts of theorems in PL
- Whenever you make up a new safe language you are expected to prove this
  - Examples: Vault, TAL, CCured, ...

#### How Might We Prove It?

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## Proof Approaches To Type Safety

- Theorem: If  $\cdot \vdash e : \tau$  and  $e \lor v$  then  $\cdot \vdash v : \tau$
- Try to prove by induction on e
  - Won't work because  $[v_2/x]e'_1$  in the evaluation of  $e_1 e_2$
  - Same problem with induction on  $\cdot \vdash e : \tau$
- Try to prove by induction on  $\tau$ 
  - Won't work because e₁ has a "bigger" type than e₁ e₂
- Try to prove by induction on  $e \downarrow v$ 
  - To address the issue of  $[v_2/x]e'_1$
  - This is it!

#### Type Soundness Proof

Consider the function application case

$$\mathcal{E} :: \frac{e_1 \Downarrow \lambda x : \tau_2.e_1' \quad e_2 \Downarrow v_2 \quad [v_2/x]e_1' \Downarrow v}{e_1 e_2 \Downarrow v}$$

and by inversion on the derivation of  $e_1$   $e_2$ : au

$$\mathcal{D} :: \frac{\cdot \vdash e_1 : \tau_2 \longrightarrow \tau \quad \cdot \vdash e_2 : \tau_2}{\cdot \vdash e_1 e_2 : \tau}$$

- From IH on  $e_1 \downarrow ...$  we have  $\cdot$ ,  $x : \tau_2 \vdash e_1' : \tau$
- From IH on  $e_2 \downarrow ...$  we have  $\cdot \vdash v_2 : \tau_2$
- Need to infer that  $\cdot \vdash [v_2/x]e_1' : \tau$  and use the IH
  - We need a <u>substitution lemma</u> (by induction on e<sub>1</sub>')

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- We need a small-step semantics to prove that the execution never gets stuck
- I Assert: the execution always terminates in F<sub>1</sub>
  - When does the base lambda calculus ever not terminate?

# Small-Step Contextual Semantics for F<sub>1</sub>

We define redexes

$$r := n_1 + n_2 \mid \text{if b then } e_1 \text{ else } e_2 \mid (\lambda x : \tau . e_1) \mid v_2 \mid$$

and contexts

$$H := H_1 + e_2 | n_1 + H_2 | \text{if } H \text{ then } e_1 \text{ else } e_2$$
  
  $| H_1 e_2 | (λx:τ. e_1) H_2 | •$ 

and local reduction rules

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n_1 + n_2 \rightarrow n_1 plus n_2 if true then e_1 else e_2 \rightarrow e_1 if false then e_1 else e_2 \rightarrow e_2 (\lambda x : \tau. e_1) v_2 \rightarrow [v_2/x]e_1
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and one global reduction rule

$$H[r] \rightarrow H[e]$$
 iff  $r \rightarrow e$ 

## Decomposition Lemmas for F<sub>1</sub>

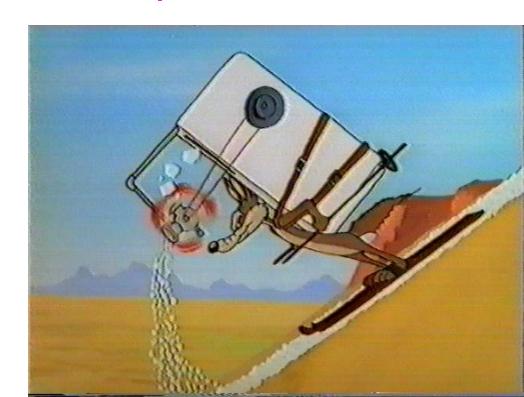
- If  $\cdot \vdash e : \tau$  and e is not a (final) value then there exist (unique) H and r such that e = H[r]
  - any well typed expression can be decomposed
  - any well-typed non-value can make progress
- Furthermore, there exists  $\tau$ ' such that  $\cdot \vdash r : \tau$ '
  - the redex is closed and well typed
- Furthermore, there exists e' such that  $r \rightarrow e'$  and  $\vdash e' : \tau'$ 
  - local reduction is type preserving
- Furthermore, for any e',  $\cdot \vdash$  e' :  $\tau$ ' implies  $\cdot \vdash H[e'] : \tau$ 
  - the expression preserves its type if we replace the redex with an expression of same type

## Type Safety of F<sub>1</sub>

- Type preservation theorem
  - If  $\cdot \vdash e : \tau$  and  $e \rightarrow e'$  then  $\cdot \vdash e' : \tau$
  - Follows from the decomposition lemma
- Progress theorem
  - If  $\cdot \vdash$  e :  $\tau$  and e is not a value then there exists e' such that e can make progress: e  $\rightarrow$  e'
- Progress theorem says that execution can make progress on a well typed expression
- From type preservation we know the execution of well typed expressions never gets stuck
  - This is a (very!) common way to *state and prove type safety* of a language

#### What's Next?

- We've got the basic simply-typed monomorphic lambda calculus
- Now let's make it more complicated ...
- By adding features!



#### Product Types: Static Semantics

Extend the syntax with (binary) <u>tuples</u>

e ::= ... | 
$$(e_1, e_2)$$
 | fst e | snd e  
 $\tau$  ::= ... |  $\tau_1 \times \tau_2$ 

- This language is sometimes called  $F_1^{\times}$
- Same typing judgment  $\Gamma \vdash e : \tau$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash e_1 : \tau_1 \quad \Gamma \vdash e_2 : \tau_2}{\Gamma \vdash (e_1, e_2) : \tau_1 \times \tau_2}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash e : \tau_1 \times \tau_2}{\Gamma \vdash \text{fst } e : \tau_1} \quad \frac{\Gamma \vdash e : \tau_1 \times \tau_2}{\Gamma \vdash \text{snd } e : \tau_2}$$

#### Dynamic Semantics and Soundness

- New form of values:  $V ::= ... \mid (V_1, V_2)$
- New (big step) evaluation rules:

$$\frac{e_1 \Downarrow v_1 \quad e_2 \Downarrow v_2}{(e_1, e_2) \Downarrow (v_1, v_2)}$$

$$\frac{e \Downarrow (v_1, v_2)}{\mathsf{fst}\ e \Downarrow v_1} \quad \frac{e \Downarrow (v_1, v_2)}{\mathsf{snd}\ e \Downarrow v_2}$$

- New contexts:  $H := ... | (H_1, e_2) | (v_1, H_2) | fst H | snd H$
- New redexes:

fst 
$$(v_1, v_2) \rightarrow v_1$$
  
snd  $(v_1, v_2) \rightarrow v_2$ 

Type soundness holds just as before

#### Q: General (454 / 842)

 In traditional logic this is an inference in which one proposition (the conclusion) necessarily follows from two others (the premises). An overused example is: "All men are mortal. Socrates is a man. Therefore, Socrates is a mortal."

#### Q: General (473 / 842)

- Which of the following chemical processes or reactions would be the most difficult to conduct in a high school chemistry lab?
  - Hall-Heroult (Aluminum Extraction) Process
  - Making Nitrocellulose (Guncotton)
  - Making Slime
  - Thermite Reaction (which reaches 5000(F))

#### Q: Games (534 / 842)

• Each face of this 1974 six-sided plastic puzzle is subdivided into nine smaller faces, each of which can be one of six colors.

#### Q: Games (547 / 842)

• This viscoelastic silicone plastic "clay" came out of efforts to find a rubber substitute in World War II. It is now sold in plastic eggs as a toy for children. It bounces and can absorb the ink from newsprint. It was also used by the crew of Apollo 8 to secure tools in zero gravity.

#### Q: Events (595 / 842)

- Identify 3 of the following 5 world leaders based on the time and place they came to power.
  - France, May 7, 1995
  - Haiti, December 16, 1990
  - Russia, July 10, 1991
  - Serbia, December 9, 1990
  - South Africa, May 9, 1994

#### A: Events (595 / 842)

- Jacques Chirac
- Jean-Bertrand Aristide (ending three decades of military rule)
- Boris Yeltsin (first elected president of Russia)
- Slobodan Milosevic
- Nelson Mandela (South Africa's first black president)

#### General PL Feature Plan

- The general plan for language feature design
- You invent a new feature (tuples)
- You add it to the lambda calculus
- You invent typing rules and opsem rules
- You extend the basic proof of type safety
- You declare moral victory, and milling throngs of cheering admirers wait to carry you on their shoulders to be knighted by the Queen, etc.

#### Records

- Records are like tuples with labels (w00t!)
- New form of expressions

$$e ::= ... | \{L_1 = e_1, ..., L_n = e_n\} | e.L$$

New form of values

$$V ::= \{L_1 = V_1, ..., L_n = V_n\}$$

New form of types

$$\tau ::= ... \mid \{L_1 : \tau_1, ..., L_n : \tau_n\}$$

- ... follows the model of  $F_1^{\times}$ 
  - typing rules
  - derivation rules

type soundness

On the board!



#### Sum Types

- We need <u>disjoint union types</u> of the form:
  - either an int or a float
  - either 0 or a pointer
  - either a (binary tree node with two children) or a (leaf)
- New expressions and types

```
e ::= \dots \quad | \text{ injl } e \mid \text{ injr } e \mid \\ \text{ case } e \text{ of injl } x \rightarrow e_1 \mid \text{ injr } y \rightarrow e_2 \\ \tau ::= \dots \quad | \ \tau_1 + \tau_2 \\
```

- A value of type  $\tau_1 + \tau_2$  is either a  $\tau_1$  or a  $\tau_2$
- Like union in C or Pascal, but safe
  - distinguishing between components is under compiler control
- case is a binding operator (like "let"): x is bound in e<sub>1</sub>
   and y is bound in e<sub>2</sub> (like OCaml's "match ... with")

#### Examples with Sum Types

- Consider the type <u>unit</u> with a single element called \* or ()
- The type integer option defined as "unit + int"
  - Useful for optional arguments or return values

```
No argument: injl * (OCaml's "None")
Argument is 5: injr 5 (OCaml's "Some(5)")
```

- To use the argument you must test the kind of argument
- case arg of injl x ⇒ "no\_arg\_case" | injr y ⇒ "...y..."
- injl and injr are tags and case is tag checking
- bool is the union type "unit + unit"

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true is injl *false is injr *
```

- if e then  $e_1$  else  $e_2$  is case e of injl  $x \Rightarrow e_1$  | injr  $y \Rightarrow e_2$ 

#### Static Semantics of Sum Types

New typing rules

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash e : \tau_{1}}{\Gamma \vdash \text{injl } e : \tau_{1} + \tau_{2}} \frac{\Gamma \vdash e : \tau_{2}}{\Gamma \vdash \text{injr } e : \tau_{1} + \tau_{2}}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash e_{1} : \tau_{1} + \tau_{2}}{\Gamma \vdash \text{case } e_{1} \text{ of injl } x \Rightarrow e_{l} \mid \text{injr } y \Rightarrow e_{r} : \tau$$

Types are not unique anymore

```
injl 1 : int + bool injl 1 : int + (int \rightarrow int)
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- this complicates type checking, but it is still doable

## Dynamic Semantics of Sum Types

New values

New evaluation rules

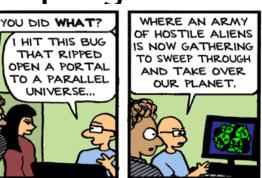
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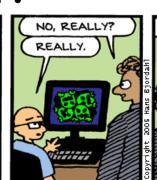
$$\frac{e \Downarrow \text{injl } v \quad [v/x]e_l \Downarrow v'}{\text{case } e \text{ of injl } x \Rightarrow e_l \mid \text{injr } y \Rightarrow e_r \Downarrow v'}$$

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## Type Soundness for F<sub>1</sub><sup>+</sup>

- Type soundness still holds
- No way to use a  $\tau_1 + \tau_2$  inappropriately
- The key is that the only way to use a  $\tau_1$  +  $\tau_2$  is with case, which ensures that you are not using a  $\tau_1$  as a  $\tau_2$
- In C or Pascal checking the tag is the responsibility of the programmer!
  - Unsafe







Bug Bash by Hans Bjordahl

## Types for Imperative Features

- So far: types for pure functional languages
- Now: types for imperative features
- Such types are used to characterize non-local effects
  - assignments
  - exceptions
  - typestate
- Contextual semantics is useful here
  - Just when you thought it was safe to forget it ...

#### Reference Types

 $\hat{\phantom{a}}$  Why do I need :  $\tau$  ? –

- Such types are used for mutable memory cells
- Syntax (as in ML)

```
e ::= ... | ref e : \tau | e_1 := e_2 | ! e \tau ::= ... | \tau ref
```

- ref e :  $\tau$  evaluates e, allocates a new memory cell, stores the value of e in it and returns the address of the memory cell
  - like malloc + initialization in C, or new in C++ and Java
- $e_1 := e_2$ , evaluates  $e_1$  to a memory cell and updates its value with the value of  $e_2$
- ! e evaluates e to a memory cell and returns its contents

#### Global Effects, Reference Cells

 A reference cell can <u>escape</u> the static scope where it was created

```
(\lambda f: int \rightarrow int ref. !(f 5)) (\lambda x: int. ref x : int)
```

- The value stored in a reference cell must be visible from the entire program
- The "result" of an expression must now include the changes to the heap that it makes (cf. IMP's opsem)
- To model reference cells we must extend the evaluation model

## Modeling References

A heap is a mapping from addresses to values

$$h := \cdot \mid h, a \leftarrow v : \tau$$

a ∈ Addresses

- (Addresses  $\neq \mathbb{Z}$ ?)
- We tag the heap cells with their types
- Types are useful only for static semantics. They are not needed for the evaluation ⇒ are not a part of the implementation
- We call a <u>program</u> an expression with a heap p ::= heap h in e
  - The initial program is "heap  $\cdot$  in e"
  - Heap addresses act as bound variables in the expression
  - This is a trick that allows easy reuse of properties of local variables for heap addresses
    - e.g., we can rename the address and its occurrences at will

#### Static Semantics of References

Typing rules for expressions:

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash e : \tau}{\Gamma \vdash (\text{ref } e : \tau) : \tau \text{ ref}} \qquad \frac{\Gamma \vdash e : \tau \text{ ref}}{\Gamma \vdash !e : \tau}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash e_1 : \tau \text{ ref}}{\Gamma \vdash e_1 := e_2 : \text{unit}}$$

and for programs

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash v_i : \tau_i \ (i = 1 \dots n) \quad \Gamma \vdash e : \tau}{\vdash \text{heap } h \text{ in } e : \tau}$$

where 
$$\Gamma = a_1 : \tau_1 \text{ ref}, \dots, a_n : \tau_n \text{ ref}$$
  
and  $h = a_1 \leftarrow v_1 : \tau_1, \dots, a_n \leftarrow v_n : \tau_n$ 

# Contextual Semantics for References

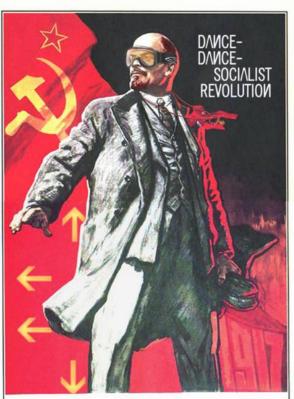
- Addresses are values: v ::= ... | a
- New contexts: H ::= ref H | H<sub>1</sub> := e<sub>2</sub> | a<sub>1</sub> := H<sub>2</sub> | ! H
- No new local reduction rules
- But some new global reduction rules
  - heap h in H[ref v :  $\tau$ ]  $\rightarrow$  heap h, a  $\leftarrow$  v :  $\tau$  in H[a]
    - where a is fresh (this models allocation the heap is extended)
  - heap h in H[! a]  $\rightarrow$  heap h in H[v]
    - where a  $\leftarrow$  v :  $\tau \in$  h (heap lookup can we get stuck?)
  - heap h in H[a := v]  $\rightarrow$  heap h[a  $\leftarrow$  v] in H[\*]
    - where h[a  $\leftarrow$  v] means a heap like h except that the part "a  $\leftarrow$  v<sub>1</sub> :  $\tau$ " in h is replaced by "a  $\leftarrow$  v :  $\tau$ " (memory update)
- Global rules are used to propagate the effects of a write to the entire program (eval order matters!)

#### Example with References

- Consider these (the redex is underlined)
  - heap  $\cdot$  in  $(\underline{\lambda f:int} \rightarrow int ref. !(f 5))$   $(\underline{\lambda x:int. ref x : int)}$
  - heap · in ! $((\lambda x:int. ref x : int) 5)$
  - heap · in !(ref 5 : int)
  - heap a = 5 : int in !a
  - heap a = 5 : int in 5
  - The resulting program has a useless memory cell
  - An equivalent result would be
    - heap · in 5
  - This is a simple way to model garbage collection

#### Homework

- Read Wright and Felleisen article
  - ... that you didn't read on Tuesday.
  - Or that optional Goodenough one ...
- Work on your projects!



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